

WEATHER FORECASTS

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Tuesday.
Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong westerly winds, unsettled and mild, with rain.
Lower Mainland—Easterly and southerly winds, unsettled and mild, with rain.

Victoria Daily Times

WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT

Royal—Elsie Ferguson.
Dominion—Norma Talmadge.
Pantages—Ethel Barrymore.
Columbia—The Destroyers.
Variety—Jack Pickford.
Empire Hotel—Shogard Reicht.

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STRIKES IN AUSTRIA SPREADING RAPIDLY, SAY GERMAN PAPERS

Labor Troubles Increasing in Magnitude in Dual Monarchy; Threatened With Military Action, Railway Men Returned to Shops, But Did Not Work

Amsterdam, March 18.—Strikes are again in progress in Austria and Hungary, and are spreading rapidly, according to reports appearing in German newspapers. A Vienna dispatch to The Weser Zeitung, of Bremen, dated Friday, said that a strike had begun in Budapest and was assuming large proportions. Telegraphic communication between Budapest and Vienna was suspended on Thursday.

A Vienna dispatch confirms the report of last week that workmen in railway shops have gone on strike. The men in the railway shops of one line quit work on Tuesday, and were joined on Wednesday by the shop workers of other railways. Under threat of military intervention the men returned to the shops, but did not work.

ONE OF MOST SUCCESSFUL RAIDS YET MADE CARRIED OUT BY CURRIE'S TROOPS

Canadian Headquarters in France, March 17.—Via London, March 18.—(By the Canadian Overseas Correspondent.)—Nineteen prisoners taken, twenty Germans killed by rifle fire or bayoneted, others blown up in their dugouts, and an indefinite number wounded—such is the record of twenty-five minutes' work of Canadian infantrymen in front of Mericourt, near Lens, this morning.

In addition, an enemy machine gun was captured, the enemy's forward and rear areas and communications were shelled and gassed by our heavy guns, and his field guns were swept by our machine guns and shelled by our trench mortars. The raid was one of the most successful in Canadian history.

Our men, in moving to the attack, had to cross half a mile of No Man's Land. This difficult manoeuvre over the machine gun swept area was carried out with success.

Miniature Battle.
Just before the raiders attacked a regular pitched battle was waged only 200 yards away between a Canadian patrol and an enemy raiding party of double strength. When the miniature battle was over and the Germans had been forced to abandon their offensive intentions we had one man injured and we had captured two mortally wounded Boches.

Enemy Deceived.
There was a subsequent lull over the whole sector, the enemy evidently thinking that the failure of his own raid marked the finish of the morning's proceedings. At 5.30 a. m. he realized his mistake. A whole front of south and north of Mericourt woke up on the minute. Our raiders were now going forward under the protection of a mixed barrage. Our artillery, supported by trench mortars, machine guns and Stokes guns shelled the enemy's main machine gun holds and strong points with gas, compelling their crews to keep underground. At the same time our artillery to the north and south was supporting our attack, doing excellent work on the enemy's centre positions. Our smoke barrages, according to enemy prisoners, was very effective, blinding the enemy and covering our attack. Certainly his machine guns were unusually quiet during the operations.

Along Trenches.
Our raiders encountered hardly any opposition in advancing to the enemy's outposts. They then moved up to a hostile trench in "a living line," where they bombed their way along more than a quarter of a mile of trenches north and south. Enemy dugouts were blown up and the men who offered resistance were killed or captured or driven out, and some of the raiders went forward until they had penetrated to a depth of over 200 yards behind the enemy line, making a total advance of well over 1,000 yards. One of our men, after three members of an enemy machine gun crew had been killed, ran up and bayoneted a fourth, put the gun over his shoulder and tramped back across No Man's Land to the officer commanding his regiment, to whom he presented the gun as a memento. Every detail of the morning's operations worked like clockwork. The men, who had been carefully trained before the attack, were in the finest fighting form. Their only regret, as that of other raiders earlier in the week, was that the Germans did not make a better fight of it.

During the retirement our men passed through a very heavy barrage, but the whole operation from beginning to end was carried out with few casualties, the majority of them slight wounds.

Enemy's Lines Swept.
At daybreak, when all had quieted down and the Germans were coming up from their dugouts, all our guns along the front opened up simultaneously with two minutes of gunfire sending shot after shot as fast as the guns could be worked. This hail of

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Will Have Ministry of Shipbuilding in Great Britain Soon.

London, March 18.—The Daily Mail says that Baron Pierre, chairman of the Harland & Wolff Shipping Commission, has been offered the post of Minister of Merchant Shipbuilding. This offer was made after a conference with Sir Eric Geddes, who will announce in the House of Commons Wednesday important changes relative to shipbuilding.

U. S. Wants Canada to Supply Huge Lot of Aeroplane Bombs

Toronto, March 18.—Canadian munitions manufacturers have a chance to land contracts that total \$50,000,000. Through the Imperial Munitions Board the United States is asking for prices and delivery dates on contracts for aeroplane bombs to the amount named. A number of Toronto munitions firms are said to be figuring on the big proposition.

U. S. ARMY LEADERS THINK ARMIES OF GERMANY WILL ATTACK ONLY IF FORCED

Washington, March 18.—Germany's threat of a great spring offensive on the Western front no longer impresses American military men.

In its weekly review to-day the War Department records the conclusion that the enemy, in spite of his vast preparations, will not take the offensive until forced into it. This confirms the opinion many officers have expressed for weeks in the face of official forecasts to the contrary from both sides of the Atlantic.

"While the hostile preparations for an offensive in the West are not slackening," the review says, "it is becoming more evident that the enemy will launch an offensive only if compelled to do so by the exigencies of the general strategic situation."

The nature of the information upon which the opinion is based is not disclosed. It is noted that fresh German divisions have arrived on the Western front and the German lines are said to be approaching the point in density beyond which it would be impossible to go without choking the communication lines and hampering the free movement of reserves. Apparently, however, this concentration has come to be regarded as a defensive, not an offensive movement.

Still Concentrating.
London, March 18.—(Via Reuters' Ottawa Agency.)—Telegraphing on Sunday, Reuters' correspondent at French army headquarters said:

"Although the enemy gives no sign as to when his long-promised offensive will break, he still is accumulating men and materials on our front with an intention which seemingly admits of only one explanation. He has 150 divisions on the Franco-Belgian front. Over one-third of these are in reserve, ready to be hurled at any point selected."

"Why the Germans are allowing week after week of fine weather to pass without moving is possibly explained by their anxiety to know exactly how many of the divisions still in Russia can be counted upon for the West front before committing themselves to the most dangerous and unpromising adventure of the war."

"Behind the enemy's front his preparations are evident. New aeroplanes and aerodromes, roads and hutments are continually being constructed. His reserves are in cantonments far from the front, hence it is impossible to know the point at which he will attack. It is expected that if he attacks he will stake all on the chance of victory."

"Our defence preparations are on a most formidable scale."

Germans Are Trying to Form An Army in Ukrainian Territory

London, March 18.—German officers have been "invited" to organize an army in the Ukraine, according to a dispatch from the official Russian news agency, which says this information is from an official Austrian source.

AIR ATTACKS BY BRITISH ON GERMANY BRINGING RESULTS

Geneva, March 17, via London, March 18.—Reports reaching here from Germany say that panics have been brought about by the British aerial attacks on German towns.

At Coblenz, according to a Basel dispatch, there were several outbreaks of fire in the southern portion of the town, and an ammunition factory was blown up.

The railway station at Freiburg was again badly damaged. Swiss travelers report that in the principal Rhine cities many houses and apartments are vacant, numbers of persons having moved to central Germany or Switzerland. They say opinion is growing among the population of the German air raids on Entente centres.

German Town Raided.
London, March 18.—To-day (Sunday) some of our aeroplanes again raided Germany, attacking the barracks and railway station at Kalsert, southern Bavaria, said an official report issued here yesterday. "Direct hits were observed on the station and a large fire broke out."

"Our formation was attacked by a large number of hostile machines, which were driven off. All of our machines returned."

On Saturday, thirteen tons of bombs were dropped on enemy billets.

BILLS DEALING WITH TAXATION OF WAR PROFITS AND VOTES FOR WOMEN FORESHADOWED AT OTTAWA

Ex-German Prisoners in Siberia Forming Several Army Units

Tokyo, March 16.—Via Shanghai.—It is reported that the Germans are trying to organize two army corps of German war prisoners in Russia. One corps, it is said, is being secretly organized at Irkutsk, Siberia. Two cavalry corps also are being formed.

BOLSHEVIKI SENDING JOFFE TO GERMANY AS THEIR AMBASSADOR

London, March 18.—A Reuters dispatch from Petrograd says that M. Joffe, who was chairman of the Bolshevik peace delegation at Brest-Litovsk, has been appointed Russian Ambassador at Berlin.

Speech From the Throne Also Indicates There Will Be Measures Dealing With Taxation of Incomes, Re- turned Soldiers and Daylight Saving

Ottawa, March 18.—Animated scenes preceded the opening of the House of Commons this forenoon for the purpose of electing a Speaker. The new members, who number 125, were mostly here. In the Commons chamber W. B. Northrup, the new Clerk of the House, and the other officers were busily engaged swearing the members, who, after taking the oath, signed the roll. The first couple of sheets of the roll, which as usual is a brilliantly illuminated document, is devoted to the names of the Ministers of the Crown, with the exception that the names of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. W. S. Fielding appear on the first page.

The bell summoned the House to meet promptly at 11 o'clock, and the members soon thronged the chamber. There was much hand-

shaking and every appearance of good fellowship prevailed. Sir Robert Borden and several of the Cabinet Ministers were not in the Commons before the members were summoned to the Senate to receive instructions to elect a Speaker. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who arrived early, shook hands with Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, Major-General Mowburn, Hon. N. W. Rowell, Hon. J. A. Cuddeback and other Ministers, and a large number of members on both sides of the House. It was observed that Hon. W. S. Fielding took a seat at a considerable distance down the aisle, on the Opposition side of the House, while Dr. Michael Clark and Fred Pardee occupied seats near the Ministers on the Government side.

RIOT OCCURRED IN CITY OF BELFAST

**Mob of Sinn Feiners Clashed
With Police Troops Now
in Charge**

Belfast, March 18.—Severe rioting occurred on Saturday night in the Nationalist quarter of Belfast between a mob of Sinn Feiners and the police. Many casualties were sent to the hospitals, including a number of policemen.

The rioting lasted four hours and the military was called out Sunday morning to take charge of the district. The trouble started when a crowd which had been listening to a midnight speech of Prof. Edward de Valera, M. P. for East Clare and a Sinn Feiner, refused to disperse when called upon to do so. The police made two baton charges and two persons were injured. The rioters retaliated with stones.

Switzerland Demands Berlin Pay for Ship Carrying Wheat Sunk

Berne, March 17.—Via London, March 18.—The Swiss Government has sent a note to the German Government demanding the payment of an indemnity for the destruction of the grain steamer Sardinero. The note also requests a careful investigation of the circumstances by the German authorities.

The Spanish steamship Sardinero, under charter by the Swiss Government, was torpedoed on February 23. She was carrying 3,000 tons of wheat from the United States. The sinking aroused strong feeling in Switzerland and pro-Allied newspapers there urged that the bread rations of the German colony in Switzerland be cut as a reprisal.

With reference to the nomination of Mr. Rhodes as Speaker, Sir Wilfrid said he would rather see the member from Cumberland in the chair than on the floor. On the floor he had not always been above party spirit, but as Speaker he had shown himself worthy of all the eulogiums the Prime Minister had given him.

Dutch Government Cabled Message on Vessels to London

The Hague, March 18.—After a Cabinet meeting lasting into Saturday night, The Netherlands Government cabled to London a message which, according to reliable information, probably will lead to a satisfactory conclusion of the shipping difficulty.

An Amsterdam dispatch on Saturday said it has been learned on excellent authority that the Dutch Government had accepted the demand of the Allies relating to the use of Dutch ships in the danger zone.

DANISH SHIP SUNK BY U BOAT, WHICH SEIZED HER MASTER

London, March 18.—The sinking outside the German danger zone two days ago by a German submarine of the Danish steamship Randelsborg, 1,551 tons gross, is reported in an Exchange Telegraph Company dispatch from Copenhagen. The captain was taken on board the submarine and entered a protest, but the German commander said that unless the ship was abandoned within five minutes she would be sunk with all hands.

The Germans seized all food on board, as well as other articles, and carried off the captain of the vessel. They promised to tow the boats to Norway, but instead of doing so left the men to their fate.

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RUSSIAN ROBBED OF SAVINGS IN VANCOUVER

Vancouver, March 18.—Pinning his faith to a hole in the cellar as a safety deposit vault, M. Erofev, a Russian, who lives with his family here, to-day is mourning the loss of more than \$4,000 in currency and coin, the hoarding of several years' savings, stolen from him just on the eve of his return to Petrovsk, Kamchatka. Early Saturday morning thieves gained an entrance to his cellar and took the money, which

was contained in a tin box wrapped with wire and supposedly safely hidden by a layer of earth. Erofev communicated his loss to the police. He already had booked transportation to Russia and with him was to go his family.

BRITAIN'S TRADE.

London, March 18.—The Board of Trade's returns for the month of February show increases in imports of £2,106,145, and in exports of £1,511,925.

GERMAN RAID ON AMERICAN FRONT

Preceded by Heavy Artillery Preparation; Americans Explored German Trench

With the American Army in France, March 17.—Via London, March 18.—(By the Associated Press).—After a terrific artillery preparation this morning large numbers of the enemy crossed No Man's Land on the extreme right of the American sector. Apparently the purpose of the raid was quickly accomplished and only a small number entered our lines. Permission has not been given to mention the number of casualties.

This raid, like most of the others carried out recently, was designed to gather information by means of taking prisoners.

East of Lunerville our patrols have explored part of the German trench which our artillery forced the enemy to abandon. Patrols proceeded later with the Germans. Our reconnaissance and wire patrols found snipers' posts, listening posts and nests from which machine guns had been firing on our lines. The artillery attended to all these posts. The German positions have been made so uncomfortable at several places that they are now trying to regain a footing by connecting shell holes.

Our troops have been subjected to an extraordinarily heavy artillery fire for the past twenty-four hours. More than 240 shells which make craters twenty feet deep and thirty feet in diameter fell in one section of the line. In another section batteries have been shelled heavily. More gas shells have fallen in both the Toul and Lunerville sectors, but the larger number in the former.

ARCHBISHOP DEAD.

Tuam, Ireland, March 18.—The Most Rev. John Healey, Archbishop of Tuam, died yesterday. He had occupied this archbishopric since 1903.

NO MORE CIVILIANS TO LEAVE PETROGRAD

Evacuation of City Is Declared to Have Been Completed

London, March 18.—The evacuation of Petrograd has been completed, according to a Reuter dispatch from that city, quoting an official communication. None of the population will be permitted to leave the city hereafter and in order to make certain that the order is obeyed, all passenger train service has been suspended.

The Council of Commissioners of "The Community of Petrograd," which will be the official designation of Petrograd and the district surrounding it in the future, has authorized the repatriation of all so-called bourgeois newspapers which had been suppressed since the beginning of the German offensive.

Occupation by the Turks of the entire Bataum region has been confirmed.

Latest details of the German occupation of Abo, Finland, state that 3,000 troops with artillery came from the Aland Islands in several transports. The Red Guards refused to surrender, and the Germans bombarded the town for half an hour, forcing the Red Guards to retire. The Germans seized three Russian torpedo boats and some mine-sweepers.

AN AMERICAN VESSEL PROBABLY SENT DOWN A GERMAN SUBMARINE

An Atlantic Port of the United States, March 18.—An American tank steamship which arrived here yesterday reported that after battling an hour with a German submarine on February 24, she succeeded apparently in sinking the U-boat. The fight took place in the Bristol Channel.

The American vessel, of about 4,000 tons gross, first tried to escape, but remained to fight when the submarine began using shells. Many shots were exchanged before one from the tanker struck fairly in the centre of the U-boat, which disappeared immediately. One member of the crew of the American ship was wounded.

The American vessel was not seriously damaged. She left a British port on February 23.

NEW DIRECTORS OF ENLARGED ROYAL BANK

Montreal, March 18.—Captain William Robinson and John Stovel, of Winnipeg, who are respectively the president and the vice-president of the Northern Crown Bank, will become directors of the Royal Bank of Canada, it is said. G. R. Crowe, of Winnipeg, and D. K. Elliott, of Winnipeg, well-known western business men, already are directors of the Royal Bank. The four named, it is expected, will in future constitute the western board of the bank.

Robert Campbell, who has been for a number of years the general manager of the Northern Crown Bank, will become a superintendent of branches of the Royal Bank.

A meeting of the directors of the Royal Bank was held here Saturday to deal with some phases of the purchase of the Northern Crown Bank. A special meeting of the shareholders of the Northern Crown will be held in the future to ratify the sale, but no special meeting of Royal shareholders is necessary to ratify the purchase.

LAD IN VANCOUVER KILLED BY ELECTRICITY

Vancouver, March 18.—Little Harold Cotton, the eleven-year-old son of A. Cotton, of 3751 Cypress Street, Vancouver, who was injured on Saturday by a live wire on the B. C. E. R. system at 24th Avenue, died early yesterday morning.

It is said that the unfortunate lad received the full power of 40,000 volts of electricity. At first it was believed that the magnitude of the shock was going to save him. Had he been struck with half the power he would have perished instantly, but it was thought the greater power might not produce fatal effects, though the lad's burns were severe. The misdirection of the current when it hit the little fellow caused the fuses on all the sub-stations to Lulu Island to blow out, it is said.

An inquest was held at the city morgue this afternoon.

NORTHWEST PIONEER DIES AT NELSON

Nelson, March 18.—N. G. McCallum, aged sixty-eight, a pioneer of the Northwest Territories, died here yesterday. He was a native of Ontario and a member of the first school board and village council in the Northwest, at Moosomin, over forty years ago. He was prominent in the I. O. O. F.

IGOTZ MENDI'S CREW.

London, March 18.—A Reuter dispatch from Copenhagen says it is authoritatively denied that Germany has sent an ultimatum to Denmark demanding the liberation of the crew of the former Spanish steamship Igots Mendi.

The Igots Mendi was captured some time ago by the German sea raider Wolf and went ashore on the coast of Denmark while trying to reach a German port with a German prize crew and prisoners on board. The members of the prize crew were made prisoners by the Danish authorities and the steamship declared to be Spanish property.

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CASUALTIES AMONG CANADIAN SOLDIERS

Ottawa, March 18.—The following casualties have been announced:

Infantry.

Killed in action—Pte. W. H. Britton, West Vancouver.

Presumed to have died—Pte. S. B. Cook, Vancouver; Pte. R. Jackson, Dewdney, B. C.

Gassed—Pte. A. R. Foulds, New Westminster; Pte. M. MacDonald, Central Park, B. C.; Sergt. C. H. Mills, Ladner; Pte. J. Carter, Kelowna.

Engineers.

Wounded—Sapper S. K. Leavens, Chilliwack.

Artillery.

III—Gnr. W. C. Polier, Vancouver.

Machine Guns.

Accidentally injured—Lieut. (acting captain) C. L. Bath, Toronto.

Accidentally killed—Capt. V. P. Murphy, New Ross, N. S.

Prisoner of war—Lieut. G. H. Shaw, Hamilton; Lieut. R. P. Baker, Vancouver.

Reported dead by Germans—Lieut. J. Beattie, Scotland.

III—Lieut. Stanley Sickle, England.

Wounded—Pte. J. J. Broughton, New Westminster; Lieut. B. Cook, Beachville, Ont.

Artillery.

Wounded—Lieut. E. F. Penno, England.

Gassed—F. Wootton, Niagara.

Medical Services.

Killed in action—Capt. S. C. Dunn, Portage la Prairie.

FATHER OF MAYOR OF CALGARY DIES

Calgary, March 18.—John Costello, one of Calgary's first settlers and father of Dr. M. C. Costello, Mayor of Calgary, died at the Holy Cross Hospital on Saturday. He is survived by his widow and children, including T. C. Costello, who is at present overseas, and Mrs. Cochrane, who has the honor of being the first white girl born in Calgary.

Deceased was a Dominion inspector of weights and measures. He was Calgary's first school teacher, and was interested in all educational development. He was very active in the Roman Catholic Mutual Benefit Society and also the Knights of Columbus.

He was seventy-seven years of age. The funeral will take place Tuesday morning.

ORDER OF EMPIRE.

London, March 18.—The list of honors in the new Order of the British Empire appeared last night for Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and the crown colonies, accompanied by the intimation that "at the desire of the Canadian Government the submission of the list to His Majesty for the Canadian Government had been postponed." Australia gets four knights, one Dame Commander, thirteen Commanders and a number of other distinctions less important.

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TURKISH STATEMENT.

London, March 18.—The Turkish forces which recently occupied Erzerum, in Turkish Armenia, captured 168 guns, with numerous mine-throwers, machine guns and quantities of ammunition, according to a statement issued by the Turkish War Office on Friday.

INCREASE DUE TO FREIGHT.

Winnipeg, March 18.—Frank O. Fowler, secretary of the Northwest Grain Dealers' Association, in a letter under date of March 16, has notified all members of the Association to advise their agents "to use prices based on two cents per hundred advance in freight rates on oats, flax and barley." It is understood that the advanced freight rate on wheat will not come into effect until June 1.

A TORONTO DEATH.

Toronto, March 18.—Rev. G. B. Davis, former Baptist pastor of Rapid City, Man., and Moose Jaw, Sask., died here last night. E. C. Davis, of the staff of Victoria High School, Edmonton, is a son.

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Ottawa, March 18.—Acting under the extended powers recently given to it in order to prevent waste, the Canada Food Board has issued an order requiring that no person operating any cold storage plant shall receive eggs for storage or shall store eggs without a certificate in writing from the owner of such eggs that they have been candled and all bad and unsound eggs removed.

It also is provided that no person dealing wholesale in eggs shall receive or demand payment for bad eggs in excess of a margin of allowance of one per cent. on each transaction. The order became effective last Saturday.

The order under which these regulations have been issued provides for violation a penalty of a fine not exceeding \$1,000 and not less than \$100 or imprisonment, or both fine and imprisonment.

FRANK L. UNDERWOOD DIES IN NEW YORK

New York, March 18.—Frank L. Underwood, of this city, president of the British Columbia Copper Company, died in a hospital here Sunday. He was born at Waldron, Vt., seventy-three years ago.

FOUR CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS TO PRISON

Winnipeg, March 18.—Four conscientious objectors, convicted on Friday at the Minto Barracks on a charge of insubordination, were sent to the Manitoba penitentiary on Saturday for two years each, with hard labor. The men are Robert Clegg, Ralph Nalsh, Charles Matheson and Cedric Wainwright. Clegg is the International Bible Student who laid charges of ill-treatment against officers in the Minto Barracks recently.

ITALIAN PATROLS REPORTED AS BUSY

Rome, March 18.—"Enemy reconnoitering parties were put to flight in the Conca and Giudicaria valleys and south of Asiago," the War Office reported last evening. "Our patrols developed great activity in the region of Monte Asolone. A few prisoners were captured in the Orlic Valley."

"Our batteries fired on moving enemy troops south of Clamson, and directed a heavy fire against positions east of Zenson and at the delta of the Piave. "British aviators shot down an enemy machine east of Montello. Last night our airplanes dropped two and one-half tons of bombs on enemy aviation grounds west of the Livenza."

VICTORIA GOVERNMENT, AUSTRALIA, DEFEATED

Melbourne, March 18.—The Government of the State of Victoria was defeated by a vote of twenty-three to twenty-one on a motion of the Opposition protesting against a reduction of wages for railway men. The result was accepted as a vote of no confidence and the Governor was advised to dissolve Parliament.

LENINE DID NOT SAY PEACE PERMANENT

Said at Moscow Respite With Germany Depended on Several Factors

London, March 18.—An Associated Press dispatch received here from Moscow, dated March 16, says that Nikolai Lenin, the Bolshevik Premier, and other Bolshevik leaders, in urging ratification of the peace agreement with Germany, made no claim that this would insure permanent peace. Asked how long a respite might be expected, Lenin said it was impossible to answer; that it depended on international movements such as to what extent Germany might succeed in the Ukraine and Finland, when Japan would make an advance, on the general course of the war on other fronts and the domestic situation in Russia.

New Army.
The Moscow Soviets have decided to organize a local Soviet army. As the peace terms necessitate the demobilization of the new Red Army and the Red Guards, the Bolshevik leaders are seeking a plan for the organization of a new army.

The revolutionary party organization has issued a mandate to withdraw its six members from the Cabinet, but pledging support to the Bolshevik Government in all of its activities which the party may regard as being in consonance with the victory gained by the October revolution. M. Steinburg, Minister of Justice, and the Minister of Agriculture are the most prominent Cabinet members thus withdrawn.

Bolshevik Worsteds.
Peking, March 18.—An authoritative dispatch from Blagovieshchensk, in Siberia, filed March 8, says all the Bolshevik leaders there, including the president of the local Soviet, have been imprisoned by Cosacks and the militia. The Bolshevik troops, consisting of reserve regiments, Red Guards and sailors, were disarmed and order was established.

In Finland.
Amsterdam, March 18.—The troops recently sent by Germany to Finland to assist in putting down the Red Guard are meeting with hostile forces which are continually being increased, says a semi-official statement issued in Berlin. On this account further help from the Germans is said to be urgently needed.

Cable Cut.
Stockholm, March 18.—Communication with Helsinki and other points in Southern Finland has been broken. The Germans are believed to have cut the cable between Sweden and the Aland Islands.

Mannerheim's Campaign.
Stockholm, March 18.—General Mannerheim, commanding the Finnish Government forces, is developing a successful offensive against the rebels and Red Guard, according to advices from Vasa. He has captured the village of Heinola and taken 3,000 Red Guard prisoners.

Arrested Regiment.
London, March 18.—Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says that strong detachments of the Red Army on Friday night arrested a regiment of the Probrajinsky Guards on suspicion of counter-revolutionary designs.

German Movements.
London, March 18.—German troops occupied Bakhmalch and Konotop (in the province of Tcherenigov, about 350 miles southwest of Moscow) but were forced to retire from Briansk, in the province of Orel, 200 miles southwest of Moscow, toward the main base, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Moscow dated Thursday. Austro-German troops are moving on Voroshba and Kharkov, capital of the province of Kharkov and about 400 miles south of Moscow. Orders have been given to evacuate Kharkov.

Tortures.
London, March 16 (delayed).—A dispatch to The Daily Mail from Petrograd tells of tortures that are being inflicted by the Bolsheviks on persons in various localities. The dispatch says that in Vorezh the death penalty has been revived for burglars and that in Kazan four peasants who had been found guilty of crimes were condemned to be burned to death.

The entire population of the village, the correspondent says, witnessed the execution in Barnopol, Siberia, of four boys who had been condemned for theft. Three of the boys were publicly beheaded, while the other was tortured and finally had his heart cut out.

In Semtevo the merchants were ordered to hand over 100,000 rubles. Those who failed to do so had stones tied about their necks and were thrown into a river.

ENTIRE EGYPTIAN COTTON CROP IS TO BE TAKEN OVER

London, March 18.—The British and Egyptian Governments have decided jointly to acquire the entire Egyptian cotton crop beginning next August. A commission has been appointed to take control of the regulations.

ARTILLERY BUSY ON MACEDONIAN FRONT

Paris, March 18.—Artillery fighting along almost all the Macedonian front was reported last night by the War Office. The statement follows: "Macedonian Front, March 15.—The artillery on both sides was active along almost the entire front. On the preceding night the enemy bombarded Monastir violently, using gas shells. There were forty civilian victims."

FIRST PARTY OF "ORIGINALS" BACK

Two Trains Carrying Furloughed Canadian Soldiers Are Traveling Westward

St. John, N. B., March 18.—Nearly 2,000 officers and men of the "Originals" although not all actually First Contingent men, arrived here Saturday on the trans-Atlantic liners from the Old Country.

One of the party is Captain H. S. Strahan, V.C., of Chauvin, Alta., who won his decoration with the Fort Garry Horse. Captain F. W. Herring, of the 9th Battalion, Calgary, also returned. Other decorated men in the party were Captain A. Lindsay, M.C., of Toronto, and Lieut. J. R. Stratton, M.C., of Parisboro, Ont.

Among the western officers returning on furlough and for duty were: Captain John Collins, Vancouver; Captain Charles Tennant, Victoria; Lieut. R. Stone, Royal Cycling Corps; Captain E. Chaffery, M.C., Vancouver, and Lieut. R. H. Lane, Seattle.

Two Trainloads.
Winnipeg, March 18.—Two trains carrying the first contingent of the furloughed Canadian troops will arrive in Winnipeg on Wednesday, according to present calculations, as they left Halifax Saturday night, westbound, according to advices given out here. The first has on board 231 men for Calgary, Vancouver and Victoria, the second has seventy-eight for Regina and 127 for Winnipeg and district. They are followed by a train carrying women and children, relatives of these soldiers chiefly, and others who are returning from England. The trains are running one hour apart.

Three Ships.
Halifax, March 18.—Three vessels with returned soldiers arrived at Halifax yesterday. Among the list were the following western officers: Lieut. J. G. Stephenson, Paynton, Sask.; Major C. H. McKensie, Regina; Lieut. W. McEwen, Calgary, and Lieut. F. A. Akehorn, Calgary.

GERMAN PAPERS ON USE OF VESSELS OF HOLLAND BY ALLIES

Amsterdam, March 18.—In discussing the decision of the Allies regarding Dutch shipping, German newspapers declare it will be followed by an intensification of the German submarine warfare. The Frankfurter Zeitung says:

"Under the proposed circumstances no really neutral Dutch ships will exist. Germany will have no reason longer to leave open a free passage to the North Sea, which was created only in the interest of Dutch shipping. This passage has been only a nuisance to our submarines, whose warfare in future will be much more effective. Unfortunately Dutch ships will suffer most, and the supplies promised Holland by the Entente will be exposed to uncertainty."

The Vossische Zeitung terms the step taken by the Allies a monstrous act of violence.

The Berliner Tageblatt says: "Holland naturally must renounce a further supply of coal and other indispensable materials from us."

VICTORY ONLY WAY ALLIES WILL END WAR, SAYS ASQUITH

London, March 18 (via Reuter's Agency).—Mr. Asquith, in a speech delivered on Saturday before the Women's Liberal Federation, said that the alleged Russo-German peace was an object lesson as to the kind of peace Germany would seek to impose on the Allies if she were able. Victory was the only road by which peace would be gained beyond jeopardy through the ambitions and rivalries of selfish, mischievous interests and forces, the Liberal leader declared amidst cheers.

A. D. C. M. PRESENTED IN NEW YORK CITY

New York, March 18.—By special permission of King George, Brigadier-General L. E. Kenyon, of the British army, presented a D. C. M. to Sergeant-Major A. W. James, of the Canadian forces, at a military and naval athletic meet at Madison Square Garden on Saturday. It was said to be the first time a D. C. M. had been bestowed on a British subject in this country.

James was awarded the medal for rescuing four wounded Highlanders from a burning building which was under fire during the battle of Ypres in April, 1915. He was wounded.

NORTH QUEENSLAND TOWN WAS BATTERED BY GREAT CYCLONE

Brisbane, Australia, March 18.—Most of the houses in Innisfail have been demolished by a cyclone. There were many casualties.

A dispatch from Melbourne last week said a great amount of damage had been done in several towns in North Queensland by a cyclone.

MINISTER DIED.

Halifax, March 18.—Rev. F. C. Simpson, minister of the Presbyterian Church at Bridgetown, died Sunday as he was preparing for service. His widow is a sister of William Duff, member-elect to the House of Commons for Lunenburg. Mr. Simpson came here from Hull and formerly was a member of the Methodist Church.

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JAPANESE ARMY IS THOROUGHLY PREPARED

Premier Told Diet on Saturday Nothing Decided Regarding Siberia

Tokio, March 18.—Premier Terauchi and Foreign Minister Motono told Parliament on Saturday that nothing had been decided upon with reference to the Siberian situation.

The military situation has reached a state of perfected preparedness. The Seiyukai (Constitutional) party, the largest in the Diet, held a conference on Saturday and reaffirmed its position taken at a recent meeting in opposition to immediate mobilization.

The press is almost unanimous in urging mobilization. The Asahi Shimbun and The Yorodzu Choho say they are unable to understand the excessive generosity of the United States toward Russia, now giving supplies to Germany and impeding the stores at Vladivostok. Suspicions in regard to Japan weaken the Allies, they assert, adding that it is Japan's duty to work in the interests of the peace of humanity by assisting to crush Germany. The Kokumin Shimbun issues a call to arms, saying that the United States is sincerely friendly but mistaken.

The Asahi Shimbun, of Osaka, voices the opinion widely held among the middle classes that extensive mobilization would create acute distress industrially and in regard to food supplies.

SIR SWIRE SMITH DIES IN LONDON

London, March 18.—Sir Swire Smith, Liberal M. P. for the Keighley division of Yorkshire, died in London Saturday. He had traveled extensively in the United States studying technical educational methods. His work at the Keighley Institute caused Andrew Carnegie to offer \$50,000 for a library for the town. It was the first Carnegie library in England. Sir Swire was born in 1842 and knighted in 1898.

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EDMONTON HAD FIRES DURING WEEK-END

Edmonton, March 18.—The Edmonton fire brigade had to fight three fires over the week-end. On Saturday evening the Carpenter Block, a two-story wooden structure at 107th Street and Jasper Avenue, was gutted by fire which started from an oil stove. Mrs. E. Charlebois, a milliner, was the chief sufferer. The Western Print Shop, the Laporte tailor shop and three tenants overhead were flooded out. The loss is about \$5,000, partly covered by insurance.

At ten o'clock a fire, which originated from some unknown cause, did about \$5,000 damage to machinery, stock and tools in the carpenter and paint shop in the new addition to the Dominion penitentiary. The prisoners were at no time in any danger, although the building is only fifty feet from the main prison. The Government carries no insurance.

On Sunday afternoon, a storehouse of the Ingelwood Lumber Company, in the West End, with a quantity of window sash, building paper and lime, was burned. The loss is covered by insurance. No cause is assigned for this fire.

On Saturday a hot bearing started a fire in the Brackman-Kor elevator, Edmonton South, the chemical engine being first on the scene extinguished the blaze. Forty thousand bushels of grain in the elevator was saved.

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PARLIAMENT OPENS.

History will have a special niche for the Session of Parliament which opened at Ottawa this afternoon. Not only is the Sessional programme of extraordinary importance, but it will be carried out under auspices which make the occasion a notable departure in the political life of the country. The old political line-up has largely disappeared. The Government is composed of former members of both orthodox Liberal and Conservative parties, and the Opposition, while it dubs itself "Liberal," is mainly a racial opposition with very few representatives from other than French-Canadian constituencies.

Obviously, however, the Opposition is a more homogeneous body than the Government which, indeed, embraces such an assortment of conflicting political opinions as never could have been brought together in one camp except under the pressure of an unparalleled emergency. In its ranks are sky-blue Tories, moderate Tories, Whigs, Grits and Radicals, high protectionists, revenue protectionists and free traders, and if peace were at hand it would be fairly easy to predict the time when such an explosive combination would come to an end. There are more real Liberals on the Government side than in Opposition, as the future will show. Certainly there are very few free traders or low protectionists under Sir Wilfrid, and he himself is an opponent of Government ownership of public utilities.

The Government has an enormous majority, but it cannot be as compact a parliamentary body as the Opposition. It will not be so well organized and it will not be so thoroughly caucus-bound. There will be much more independence among its members than there has been among Government members for many years, perhaps at any time since Confederation, for the Unionist representatives were elected to support a war policy, not to create or support a new political party, and if that policy be not carried out many of them will oppose the Government. Before the Session is over the Opposition ranks may be substantially larger than they are to-day, and the reinforcements are more likely to come from the reactionaries on the Government side than from the progressive elements. If the Government should remove the duty from agricultural implements and go in for Government ownership of railroads and certain other utilities the Opposition may evolve into a curious and greatly unsuspected combination.

Whatever defections there may be the Government will have nothing to fear if it shall proceed with the policy upon which it was elected, no matter how many venerated political lions and musty precedents are smashed and spurned in the process. The Government is largely a political experiment and political experiments succeed when they are undertaken with courage, resolution and foresight, and never otherwise. The Government has no other claim upon a very large proportion of its followers than that which lies in its policy. It cannot appeal to party loyalty, nor discipline them with the patronage whip nor resort to other influences with which independence was stifled in the days when the only difference between Government and Opposition was a difference of label. It must deliver the goods it promised to deliver to remain in power, and if this be not done its majority of seventy will fade away like mist before the sun.

THE PARLIAMENTARY PROGRAMME.

No Parliament in this Dominion ever had a more formidable task than that which lies before the Parliament which began its labors to-day. In the train of the war numerous problems of extraordinary gravity and difficulty have arisen and for these solutions must be found. The prosecution of the struggle calls for the effective mobilization of the nation's resources, the reinforcement of the fighting forces at the front, the production of food, munitions and other essential materials; the development of shipbuilding, the reorganization of land transportation, the provision of finances. The problem of demobilization and the rehabilitation of the soldiers in civil life, pensions and so forth, must not be suspended longer. Much of what already has been done in the way of war measures will have to be overhauled. The Military Service Act must be amended to be made effective. Of course, in many quarters, Parliament will be expected to do

more than it or any other Parliament can do. Furthermore, it will be somewhat at a disadvantage because it must deal with many matters which should have been disposed of several years ago, and which since then have become more complicated and difficult. It is only now being confronted with the necessity of ratifying and adopting measures which should have been taken in hand in the first year of the struggle. But if it cannot complete the programme, as long as it disposes of the most pressing matters before the country much will be forgiven it, especially if it shows its determination to keep the Government to the strict performance of its duty.

GERMANY'S FINANCES.

Not long after the war began an American newspaper correspondent in Berlin had an interview with the President of the Deutsches Bank. He asked the financial magnate how long Germany could maintain the struggle without becoming bankrupt and the latter replied that when the German war debt exceeded \$5,000,000,000 marks, or approximately \$20,000,000,000, Germany would be a financial wreck. "But," he added, bringing his fist down on the table, "the war will not last long enough for that. Germany will have been victorious long before her debt has reached \$5,000,000,000 marks."

Germany's war debt is now 124,000,000,000 marks, or over \$50,000,000,000, and soon will be stepping lively towards the forty-billion point. Of course the estimate of the President of the Deutsches Bank may have been wrong, but, judging by the condition of German exchange in the neutral countries, he could not have been very far out in his reckoning.

THOSE DUTCH SHIPS.

With the acquisition of a million tons of Dutch shipping the Allies have substantially reinforced their carrying tonnage, which will be still further enlarged by over a million more tons of Norwegian and Swedish ships. Altogether, about 400 vessels, belonging to the northern European neutrals and aggregating 2,100,000 tons, will shortly be in the service of the Allies, and this reinforcement will more than cover the losses to the submarine campaign until new construction is at the top of its speed.

Many of these vessels have been lying in American harbors for months with thousands upon thousands of food rotting in them. The United States Government refused to let them sail unless their owners guaranteed that their contents, for the most part, would not be shipped to Germany, while the Germans would not give them safe conduct if Holland furnished any such guarantee.

The United States authorities offered to buy or charter the vessels at rates which would have been most profitable to their owners, but Holland would not agree to this, her attitude no doubt being subject to German pressure. Finally, the United States and its Allies decided to take over the ships to-day, in any case, unless Holland accepted the terms offered to her, and apparently Holland has agreed, at the same time probably giving some concession to Germany to balance things. It is not unlikely that Holland and Scandinavia are really pleased with the arrangement, especially as it will guarantee them increased supplies of food and other commodities from America, fat profits on their ships and substantial compensation for any sunk or captured.

Notwithstanding the so-called peace of Brest-Litovsk the Teutonic forces continue their advance through southern Russia, while the Turks in the Caucasus have recaptured not only the whole of Armenia, but portions of Trans-Caspia, which formerly belonged to Russia. Germany, of course, never intended to respect the terms of any peace agreement she made with the Bolsheviks, or any other covenant for that matter, which conflicted with the "necessity" which, as von Bethmann-Hollweg says, "knows no law," and now Lenin announces that Russia has no intention of adhering to the agreement.

FIRE IN WINNIPEG.

Winnipeg, March 17.—About \$9,000 damage was done to the Cushman Motor Works here this afternoon by fire. Charles Rowley, a warehouseman, was severely burned on the right leg and hand, and J. Weeks, driver of a horse wagon, on his way to the fire was injured when his wagon upset. Both will recover.

BILLS DEALING WITH TAXATION OF WAR PROFITS AND VOTES FOR WOMEN FORESHADOWED AT OTTAWA

(Continued from page 1.)

Governor-General, was in attendance in the Commons chamber. The proceedings were devoid of the usual ceremonial and were of war-time simplicity. The Governor-General was not accompanied by the usual military guard of honor and the social features which usually mark the opening of Parliament were entirely lacking.

The scene in the Commons chamber when the Speaker took the chair was a repetition of those that occurred at the forenoon session. The usher of the Black Rod arrived without delay and summoned the members to the Senate Chamber, where the Speech from the Throne was read by the Governor-General in both English and French. The important document, which outlines the main features of the Government's proposed sessional programme, is as follows:

"Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate; Gentlemen of the House of Commons: You have been summoned to the first session of the new Parliament in the midst of a world-wide struggle which vitally concerns the interests, the institutions and the destinies of our country and of the whole world. Thus the responsibilities and duties imposed upon you are even greater and more far-reaching than in the ordinary course of public affairs. Bearing with you a new mandate from the people and animated by the unflinching spirit which has inspired them during the long and anxious years of effort and sacrifice, I am confident that you will bring to the discharge of your public duties an unflinching resolve to sustain the high cause in which our country already has borne such splendid part."

"After nearly four years of war the issue still remains undecided. The effort which we have before us demands our sternest resolve, but we shall not shrink from it if our hearts are firm, and our courage as undaunted as those of our countrymen who hold our battle-line beyond the seas. The Canadian Expeditionary Force still sustains its unbroken record of distinguished accomplishment since the close of the last session."

Army Act.

"Notwithstanding a greater delay than was anticipated in the operation of the Military Service Act, the necessary reinforcements to keep our forces at full strength have been provided and the purpose will be maintained in the future."

"In order to extend the principle of the present Civil Service Act to the outside service and thus to provide that all appointments to the public service shall be made upon the same standard of merit, further enabling legislation will be necessary. In the meantime the principle thus adopted has been carried into effect, as far as possible, by an Order-in-Council which will be placed before you."

Immigration.

"My advisers are impressed with the necessity of a strong and progressive policy of immigration and colonization, accompanied by suitable provisions to induce settlement on the land, to encourage increased agricultural production and to aid in the development of our agricultural resources. In pursuance of this purpose, a Ministry of Immigration and Colonization has been established by Order-in-Council and necessary legislation to confirm this action will be laid before you."

Returned Soldiers.

"In connection with the demobilization of our forces, my advisers recognize the urgent necessity of providing for the care and vocational training of the returned soldiers. Organized effort to provide such training, to assist them in obtaining employment and to aid in the re-establishment of them in the activities of civil life is not only important, but essential. A Department of the Government, for this purpose has been constituted and has been invested with necessary powers and duties. Legislation to confirm this action will be submitted to you."

Measures which have been taken by Order-in-Council to prevent excessive profits in certain industries, to stimulate and increase the production of food and to encourage and develop the shipbuilding industry, will be communicated to you, and any relevant legislation which may be found necessary will be submitted to you."

Votes For Women.

"A bill for extending the franchise to women, with suitable provisions respecting naturalization, will be submitted and commended to your consideration."

"Your attention also will be invited to a bill to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to railways, and a bill relating to daylight saving, and bills relating to taxation of war profits and of incomes, and other measures."

Co-operation With U. S.

"In order to insure the fullest co-operation with the Government of the United States and to assist in securing the most effective utilization of the resources of both countries for war purposes, a Canadian War Mission has been established at Washington and a War Trade Board has been constituted at Ottawa."

Prohibition.

"In view of the need for conserving to the fullest extent all our natural resources during the war and in furtherance of provincial enactments, action has been taken under the War Measures Act, 1914, to prohibit the importation and manufacture of intoxicating beverages and to forbid the transportation thereof into any community where their sale is contrary to law."

"My advisers having reached the conclusion that a complete registration of the manhood and womanhood above the age of sixteen years is not only important, but essential under present conditions, the necessary authority has been provided under the War Measures Act, 1914."

"The Orders-in-Council embodying

the foregoing provisions will be laid before you."

"The appalling disaster at Halifax, resulting in the loss of many hundreds of lives and the destruction of a considerable portion of that city and of the adjacent town of Dartmouth, has evoked universal sympathy for those who have suffered. My advisers will submit to you proposals for relieving the distress and loss thus occasioned."

Trade.
"Notwithstanding the critical and trying conditions through which the country has passed during the last three years, the commercial, financial and industrial stability of Canada has been well-maintained. The volume of foreign trade greatly exceeds that attained during any corresponding period in previous years, and the favorable balance of trade also has vastly increased."

"Gentlemen of the House of Commons: The accounts for the last and the estimates for the next fiscal year will be submitted to you without delay, and you will be asked to make the necessary financial provision for the effective of the war."

Allies Will Win.
"Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate; Gentlemen of the House of Commons: Notwithstanding the disappointments in the eastern theatre of war, there is no reason to doubt the ultimate triumph of our cause. The effort of the nations included within the British commonwealth is still unshaken and will so continue to the end. Equally earnest and resolved is the spirit of all the Allied nations, and especially of the great neighboring and kindred commonwealth, whose enormous power and vast resources are now beginning to make themselves felt in the decision of the issue."

"I commend your deliberations to the Divine guidance in the confident expectation that they will be worthy of the supreme purpose to which our national endeavor is dedicated."

INCREASED ACTIVITY ALONG WEST FRONT

Efforts of Enemy Defeated by Allies and Raids Made by Latter

London, March 18.—Field-Marshal Haig reported last night: "During the night hostile raiding parties endeavoring to approach our lines in the neighborhood of Zonnebeke were driven off by our troops with rifle fire and bombs."

"The enemy artillery has shown activity to-day south of the Rapaume-Cambrai road and increased activity against our defences south of Lens. Considerable enemy artillery fire also was directed against a number of localities north of La Bassée Canal, south of Armentières and in the Ypres sector."

A report from Field-Marshal Haig issued yesterday afternoon said:

"We carried out successful raids during the night in the neighborhood of Epéhy and near Gavrelle. A raid attempted by troops north of Lens was repulsed. A few prisoners were made by us in the course of these encounters. "Hostile artillery was active last night south of the Rapaume-Cambrai road, in the Scarpe Valley and east of Polygon Wood. It also has shown some activity against our rear defences south of Lens and between La Bassée Canal and the Lys. During the past few days there has been a marked increase in the activity of the enemy's artillery southwest of Cambrai and also along the whole front from the neighborhood of La Bassée Canal to the Menin road."

French Reports.

Paris, March 18.—The War Office here last night reported a series of strong German attacks in the direction of Samogreux and in the Bezonvaux region. Large enemy detachments succeeded in penetrating the French lines at various points, but under the violence of the French fire suffered heavy losses and were unable to hold the ground where they had gained a footing."

Latest information shows that on Saturday French troops entered enemy trenches at Malancourt on a front of 1,400 metres to a depth of 500 metres."

A report issued yesterday afternoon said:

"Northwest of Rhelms German troops attempted in the region of Loivre a raid which completely failed. In the Champagne after a violent bombardment in the region of Monts, German troops attacked our positions west of Vaudesmeurt. After a spirited engagement the French troops drove the Germans back to their original positions where they had gained a footing, inflicting serious losses on the Germans."

"There was quite marked artillery firing on the part of both armies on the left bank of the Meuse."

"The day was calm on the rest of the front."

German Statement.

Berlin, March 18.—An official statement issued here yesterday said: "In Flanders there was increased artillery activity after midday (Saturday). The fighting was more active southwest of Bery-au-Bac and in connection with a successful German operation near Tuhure."

"After preparation for ten hours French troops pressed forward on a wide front west of Avocourt (Verdun front west of the Meuse), but were defeated partly by our artillery fire and partly in hand-to-hand fighting."

"There was a sharp artillery duel on the east bank of the Meuse. Hessian and Waldeck storming troops near Samogreux and Saxon troops near Bezonvaux (both points on the Verdun front east of the Meuse) penetrated enemy positions deeply. They brought back 200 French prisoners, including the staff of one battalion."

"Seventeen enemy aeroplanes and two balloons were shot down yesterday."

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COMRADE OF THE GREAT WAR.

To the Editor.—Would you kindly give this association space in your paper to set forth the aims and objects of the new association just formed. You will readily see that the Comrades of the Great War should have the first consideration above all other associations, not only with the Government, but also with the public. And, moreover, I am firmly convinced that if the Comrades of the Great War remain true to the principle of only accepting fighting men in its association the Government not only will support us, but I am confident that they will co-operate with us in every way.

If you, Mr. Reader, look at this question from any angle you like, who is the returned man? Is it not those men who have suffered on the battlefields of France and Flanders or on any of the different fronts? Look at this from another point, is it not a fact that many have gone to England who never intended to go any farther. Again look at the many men who have refused to revert to the ranks. Would you call these men your returned veterans or rather would you say they have been an exposure to this country of ours. For instance, I know of a man who had varicose veins, went to England, had them taken out and then came back to Canada and was discharged. Is he a returned man or not? I maintain this man is a better man physically now than when he joined the army, and yet all this money was expended on him at the public expense. This is only one instance of the many cases I know of. To put things down to a rock bottom basis the Comrades of the Great War are men who have fought for our country. Men that have proved themselves men in every respect and have stood at the brink of eternity—every minute of the day suffering the torments of "hell" that no human imagination can form. These are the men that are asking your support in getting positions for them and to co-operate with them in building up a place whereby they may find rest and comfort. In a few words, a place where the man who has no home or is a stranger from other cities can find sleeping and eating accommodation, and every comfort pertaining to a modern club, having its own employment bureau, where they can be placed in positions befitting their case.

Last, but not least, the many women whose husbands will not return, their children and the sons of parents left to mourn—these are the people whose battles we are out to fight to obtain for them better pensions and provision for their orphans. For if we neglect them now we cannot ever hope to have their respect in the future, so your duty is clear—help us to help ourselves. They surely are worthy of your consideration and respect.

A. R. BERRY, Pres. Pro Tem., Comrades of the Great War.

235 Scott St., Victoria.

USING FERTILIZER FOR PROFIT.

To the Editor.—In your issue of to-night appears an item to the effect that the Council members of the Increased Production Committee, Aldermen Sargent, Sangster and Dingle, recommended that "in addition to the sale of beans, whale guano and lime fertilizers, the sale of seed potatoes, peas and corn will be undertaken by the city."

There can be no doubt that the use of commercial fertilizers may be very profitable when used intelligently, but their use will only often prove a complete waste where the users have no knowledge of the materials they are handling. Whale guano is one of the nitrogenous fertilizers. Its only plant food being 14 per cent. ammonia, equivalent to about 12 per cent. nitrogen. Most of the lots to be cultivated have been in grass and pasture for years and are rich in humus and nitrogen. Such lots need no fertilizer whatever where late potatoes, vegetables, etc., are to be grown. For lettuce, early cabbage, early potatoes and similar crops a little commercial nitro-

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Wood Beds are more popular than ever, matched suites being the order of the day. We have a very complete range of styles in Wood Beds, and call particular attention to our showing of the medium priced sorts, starting from \$14.40

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Last week's arrivals in Parlor Tables makes our showing of these very complete indeed. We have a big variety of styles and a range of prices that allows almost any latitude. These come in Mahogany, Walnut or Oak.

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gen may be helpful, but in that case nitrate of soda, which contains 15.5 per cent. nitrogen, equivalent to 18.5 per cent. ammonia, will be found to give much better returns than the slow acting plant food of the whale guano. For the average gardener, however, with usual crops on such lots as described, the use of any nitrogenous fertilizer will be like "carrying coals to Newcastle," and will prove an absolute waste. If any fertilizer is required it will be only superphosphate, which costs about a third of the price of whale guano.

For light soil and for gardens which have been cropped for a number of years whale guano or nitrate of soda combined with superphosphates will be found very effective. The fertilizer should not be spaded or ploughed in, but should be applied after ploughing has been done and before the seeds are planted.

Lime is not a fertilizer, since it contains no essential plant food. Its only value is to sweeten sour soil and to improve the mechanical condition of heavy clay soils. There are cases where its use has been profitable, although very often it is of no value whatever. But in any case, even where needed, it should always be applied in the autumn or very early in the spring. Its application after this date will usually prove valueless so far as the 1918 crop is concerned.

The use of commercial fertilizers is an intensely interesting study and one which will prove profitable to the amateur as well as to the professional gardener. The injudicious use of these wonderful foods, however, can only cause disappointment and loss to the user, and ultimately will

lead swept the enemy's front line supports, reserve assembly areas and communication trenches, and must have caused many casualties and much destruction.

Prisoners taken emphasize the strength of the attack, and state that a careful plan had been made in event of such an operation, but that the whole scheme failed at the test this morning, the enemy being thrown into confusion.

With the exception of one non-commissioned officer, the prisoners are poor specimens, having nothing like the physique or morale of our troops.

If a tablespoonful of paraffin is added to a pail of hot water when scrubbing tiles it will both cleanse and show up their colors to perfection.

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Plain and Striped Pongee Silk Waists at \$2.90

—Interesting values these, and the styles are new and fashionable. The plain natural pongee waist is made of a nice heavy grade, finished with convertible collar; tucked front and self-covered buttons. Another new model is of natural pongee silk; made with a short pointed yoke. The roll collar and turnback cuffs trimmed with novelty stripe pongee. Splendid values at.....\$2.90
—Waists, First Floor

Women's Nightgowns of Good Quality at \$1.25

—A very special offering this, and one that women who need inexpensive garments will do well to take advantage of. There's a large assortment of styles and all are well made and neatly finished. Brief details of a few:

Nightgowns, of good quality white cotton; made in slipover styles; neatly trimmed with embroidery. Special at.....\$1.25
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Fashionable Checks and Plaid Dress Goods

Black and White Shepherd Checks and Plaids are again to the fore in public favor. We are showing a wide variety, many of which are our old values—

40-inch Shepherd Checks, a yard, 75¢, \$1.00 and.....\$1.25
50-inch Shepherd Checks, a yard, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50
52-inch Shepherd Plaids, a yard, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00 and.....\$3.50

Fancy Check Dress Fabrics Special Value at \$1.00 a Yard

—A splendid quality for smart house dresses, also for girls' school dresses; a good variety of colors, 40 inches wide. Special value at, a yard.....\$1.00
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A Special in Moire Underskirts at \$1.50

A good sturdy grade of Moire, in shades navy, Copenhagen, green, grey, purple and black. Style features neatly tucked flounce. A Skirt for hard wear. Special at \$1.50
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Soap and Polish Special Tuesday

Utility Soap, 5 bars 24¢
Rickett's Blue, 6 bars for.....25¢
Nixey Knife Polish, a can.....25¢
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—Made of fine white cotton, neatly trimmed with embroidery. Very special value at.....50¢
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A Range of Extra Good Values in Serviceable Dress Skirts to Sell at \$7.50



—Very smart Skirts of all-wool materials, including tweeds and fancy checks. A splendid variety of patterns, also shades. All of the materials were thoroughly shrunk before making up, and they are stitched throughout with silk.
—The styles feature straight tailored lines, full gathered backs and high-waisted. Some have stitched straps, and others trimmed with pipings or military braids.
—Real serviceable grades, and extra good value at \$7.50.
—Mantles, First Floor

A Smart Serviceable Tweed Suit for \$27.50

—A Suit cut and tailored on very smart lines, and one that makes a most serviceable garment for general wear. Made from good quality Donegal tweed in brown and grey shades. The style features coat in the popular wrist length, notched mannish collar; all seams are stitched and turned. The belts are finished with large buckles. Skirts are cut plain, in high waist effect.
—Splendid value at \$27.50.
—Mantles, First Floor



Towel Shower at St. Joseph's Hospital To-morrow

—The following Towel offerings are appropriate for giving to this shower. You will also prove it worth your while buying for your own household use, too. The values are good, while the grades are the finest from English, Canadian and Japanese mills.

White Turkish Towels, size 16 x 36, and a nice even weave. Our regular price \$2.40 a dozen. On sale for, dozen.....\$1.50
Small But Good Quality White Turkish Towels, made from heavy yarns. Regular price \$3.00 a dozen. On sale for, each, 20¢ or, dozen.....\$2.40
White Turkish Towels, 18 x 27, each, 25¢ or, dozen.....\$2.50
White Turkish Towels, 19 x 36, each, 30¢ or, dozen.....\$3.40
White Turkish Towels, 21 x 44, each, 35¢ or, dozen.....\$4.00

A basket will be in the Department to receive your contribution. To save you any inconvenience if you will just leave your card we will do the rest for you.

—Towel Dept., Main Floor

White Turkish Towels, 21 x 46, each, 40¢ or, dozen.....\$4.50
White Turkish Towels, 25 x 54, each, 50¢ or, dozen.....\$5.50
White Huckaback Towels are welcome in both home and hospital. For good drying Towels and for hard wear they are superior to other makes.
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Size 20 x 36, neatly hemmed, each, 30¢ or, dozen.....\$3.40
Size 22 x 38, neatly hemmed, each, 35¢ or, dozen.....\$4.50

Values to \$1 in Ladies' Collars Clearing Tuesday at 50c

—Extremely good values in this assortment and just the styles needed for wear with the one-piece cloth dresses now in vogue. There are roll, square and pointed shapes, also jabots. Splendid variety of designs and materials, including pique, georgette crepe, crepe de chine and organdie. Values worth to \$1.00. Clearing Tuesday at, each.....50¢
—Neckwear, Main Floor

\$3.50 Model Tea Kettles, Tuesday at \$2.98

—We place on sale to-morrow another fifty of these popular Tea Kettles at a very special price.
—This is the standard quality "Model" Kettle, made of copper and beautifully finished with nickel plating. The lid for filling is placed at the side of this model, thus preventing the hands from getting steamed. Regular \$3.50 value, for.....\$2.98
—Hardware, Second Floor

Ladies' and Children's Leather Bags at \$1.00

—A good assortment of styles, fitted inside with mirror; various colors and black to choose from. These are very special values at.....\$1.00
—Bags, Main Floor

Men's Underwear In Early Spring Weights at Special Prices

Now is the time for men to buy their lighter weight undergarments for between-season wear, and Spencer's is the store where best grades and lowest prices meet—therefore the logical place to buy. Here are a few specials:

Penman's Natural Wool Merino Shirts and Drawers, light weight wool finish. Twenty-five dozen garments to clear at last year's price. A garment.....85¢
Stanfield's Light Weight Natural Rib Shirts and Drawers, fine wool mixture and a most comfortable garment, perfect fitting. To-day's price \$1.75. While stock lasts, a garment.....\$1.35
All-Wool Gold Fleece Shirts and Drawers, of fine British make. Light weight. Shirts, size 34; drawers, 32 and 34 only. To-day's market price, \$3.75. While our stock lasts, a garment.....\$2.50
—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Heavy Quality Colored Pongee Silk With Brilliant Finish

—Eminently suitable for women's suits, separate skirts and coats; also for middies and children's garments. The colors are fast and there's a good variety, while the quality is without an equal at the price. Shades are flesh, old rose, pink, gold, mustard, paddy, Copenhagen, navy and ivory; 34 inches wide. Special value, a yard.....\$1.15

40-Inch Hawaiian Silks at 50c a Yard

—In rich shades of maize, ivory, flesh, pink, old rose, Nile, sky, sage, Copenhagen, mauve, amethyst, purple, brown, reseda, corn, apricot, pearl and black. Specially good value at, a yard.....50¢
—Silks, Main Floor

Draperies for Upholstering Purposes

We have a large stock of Silk Tapestries, Taffetas, Wool Tapestries and Cretonnes, suitable for recovering easy chairs, settees and sofas; also for other pieces of Furniture. These are marked at most reasonable prices. Your inspection and inquiries solicited.
—Draperies, Third Floor

Photo Enlargement Department Reopened for the Delivery of Photographs

—We have reopened the Photo Enlargement Department on second floor, in crockery department near the general office, for the purpose of reliving photos. Customers, on receiving postal card, will greatly oblige by calling early for their enlargements. We have an assortment of Beautiful Picture Frames, complete with convex glass, priced up from.....\$1.98
—Second Floor, Near Office

Enamels for Household Use

Bed and Bath Enamel, a tin, 25¢ and.....45¢
Aluminum Paint, a tin, 25¢, 35¢ and.....45¢
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Stove Pipe Enamel, big can.....20¢
Paint Dept., Second Floor

Infants' White Pique Dresses \$1.75

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Cooper's Bombay Chutney, per tin **35c**
Golden Star Tea, per lb. 40c. 3 lbs. for. **\$1.15**
White Crest Clams, large tins, 2 for **25c**
Reception Baking Powder, per tin **20c**

SPECIAL IN THE DRUG DEPT. ALL THIS WEEK

Alvina (Spring Tonic), large bottles, regular \$1.00, for **74c**
Horlick's Malted Milk Tablets, plain or cocoa, regular 25c, for **21c**
Carson's Orchid Talcum Powder, regular 24c tins, for **18c**
Large Writing Pads, regular 20c, for **14c**

Malabar Coffee, per lb. **25c**
Fancy Dried Pears, per lb. **24c**
Ivory Soap, 4 bars for **25c**
California Dried Grapes, 2 lbs. for **25c**
White Swan Naptha Soap, 5 for **25c**

SPECIAL IN THE HARDWARE DEPT. ALL THIS WEEK

Scotch Grey Enamel Saucepans, regular 70c, for **54c**
Brown Betty Tea Pots, regular 35c, for **28c**
Dover Egg Beaters, regular 35c, for **25c**

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OFFERS GUIDE UPON DENTAL STATISTICS

Vancouver Schools Present Problem Which is Proposed to Be Faced Here

When the Victoria School Board is taking up the question of dental attention to the pupils, under its charge, the experience of the Vancouver School Board is of especial interest, as being the only board in the province which has established dental clinics. In the voluminous correspondence presented by the delegation to Hon. Dr. MacLean, Minister of Education, on Saturday a lengthy report on the subject appears.

"It has cost the Board," says the report, "two dollars for every child that has had his or her mouth put into hygienic and sanitary condition."

Percentages.
The center dental officer, basing his calculation on inspections of twenty-one but of thirty schools last year, definitely arrived at the percentage of children who seriously required dental treatment as ninety per cent. Deducting those who would not come before the dental clinic for treatment, it is computed that sixty-five per cent. of the children would be brought under the regulations governing free treatment. It is estimated that at the end of last year, with an enrolment of about 15,000 pupils, 9,750 children required dental attention in Vancouver. The installation of the clinics has cost about \$4,000 for the two. Operating expenses in 1918 are estimated to cost \$6,000. The clinics receive children from orphanages, the Children's Aid Society, and similar institutions as well as from schools.

Statutory Power.
The report says: "Would it not be well if dental questions were treated in a similar manner to those of the Medical Department and covered by an act similar to or becoming part of the Act (Chapter 207) to provide for Medical Inspection of Schools?"

While the direction to Trustee Perry at the Victoria Board meeting on Wednesday only covers an attempt to interest the dentists towards free service, it is safe to assume that if the Vancouver percentages apply here, and there is no reason why they should not, sixty-five per cent. of an enrolment of about 5,500 is quite a serious factor to finance in Victoria.

ST. PATRICK'S CONCERT

Big Attendance at Popular Event at Empress Hotel on Saturday Night; Interesting Programme.

Irish music and Irish sentiment prevailed at the very successful St. Patrick's concert held at the Empress Hotel on Saturday night, when the ballroom was filled with a big audience for this popular annual event.

In his opening address the chairman, J. D. O'Connell, gave a short history of the life of the patron saint of Ireland, and explained that the proceeds



A BEDTIME STORY UNCLE WIGGILY AND MR. WHITEWASH

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Nurse Jane Fussy Wuzzy, the nice muskrat lady, who kept the hollow stump bungalow in order for Uncle Wiggily Longears, the bunny rabbit gentleman, was singing a little song one day. It went something like this: "The North Wind doth blow, perhaps we'll have snow, but, oh, I hope not, I hope not! Ha! Ha! For we've had too much of snow, ice and such. Let the flowers now bloom in the spring, tra-la!"

"Well, well! What's that? What's that?" asked Uncle Wiggily, peering around the corner of the coffee grinder. "What song is that, Nurse Jane?"

"That's my song," answered the muskrat lady. "I always sing that when I make hot soup. I've just made a potful, and maybe you'd like to take some to one of your friends."

"No may-bee about it!" laughed the bunny. "It's a sure-see! I'll take some hot soup to Grandpa Goosey Gander. The last time I saw him he was a bit poorly, and hot soup may cheer him up."

"I'll send him a nice potful," spoke the muskrat lady. "So she put some hot soup in a pail, covering it so Uncle Wiggily wouldn't get splashed, and away started the bunny rabbit gentleman, over the fields and through the woods."

"Perhaps I may have an adventure," he said to himself, as he hopped along, leaning on his red, white and blue striped rheumatism crutch, that Nurse Jane had gnawed for him out of a cornstalk.

Uncle Wiggily had not gone very far before, just as he came to a hill, from somewhere near he heard a voice groaning in pain, and saying: "Oh, dear! Oh, dear! Oh, dear!"

"My goodness!" exclaimed Uncle Wiggily, stopping so short that the hot soup in the pail went jiggle-jiggle, but none splashed out, I'm glad to say. "If ever there was trouble in the world it must be here!" said the bunny. Then he asked:

"Who are you and what is the matter?"

"First tell me who you are," said the unseen voice.

"Here's where I'd better be a bit foxy-like and shy," thought the bunny. Perhaps this may be the Skeetika trying to catch me."

Still, Uncle Wiggily was a brave bunny, so he answered:

"Ahem! I am Mr. Longears, the rabbit and I have a pail of scalding, hot

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of the concert were to be devoted to the poor of the city.

Owing to the fact that Miss Lillian Haggerty and Miss Morris were unable to appear, the programme was unavoidably shortened.

The opening number was "God Save Ireland," sung by the Misses Small, N. and M. Clarke, F. Hall and D. Welsh, and this was followed by vocal contributions by Mrs. Macdonald, Mrs. Harry Briggs, Mrs. D. B. McConna, Mrs. Harry Pooley, Miss Dorothy Neary, Capt. Craddock, Sgt. Gillan and Deane Wells. A feature of the evening was the reappearance of the veteran tenor, Edward White, who has been in retirement from the concert platform for some years. His rendition of "The Kerry Dance" was given with all his old-time spirit and charm.

No Irish concert would be complete without its dances, and these added much to the success of the evening. The solo dancers were Miss Quennie Ball, Miss Christie and Miss Enid Ruddock. An Irish reel was gracefully executed by Mrs. Hebb, and the Misses Christie and P. and R. Jaffrey, while an Irish folk dance was contributed by the Misses L. A. Hunter, Weatherston, Welsh, Nyland, Neary, Hemmingway, Jewell, McKittrick and Young, with Miss Enid Ruddock as soloist. The children's dances were all prepared under the direction of Mrs. George Simpson.

Water in which two or three onions have been boiled will remove dirt from white paint.

Social & Personal

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Peters, of Winnipeg, arrived in the city from Vancouver on Saturday last and will spend the next few months here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Stanley Hill (nee Bella McLeod), of Chilliwack, spent the week-end in Victoria as the guests of the groom's sister, Mrs. (Capt.) L. Gray.

J. J. Dewar, buyer for Gordon's, Ltd., has returned to the city from a trip of several weeks' duration to the Eastern markets, including New York, Chicago, Montreal and Toronto.

Capt. Basil Aylmer, O. C., in charge of the Military Convalescent Hospital at Qualicum, has arrived in the city, accompanied by Mrs. Aylmer, and has registered at the Empress Hotel.

Miss Dawson, of this city, is visiting in Vancouver as the guest of Mrs. Stephen Wallbridge, and was among the guests at a bridge tea given by Mrs. Homer Adams on Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Hasell, Provincial Secretary of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire, will attend the annual meeting of the Municipal Chapter to be held at New Westminster on Wednesday.

Capt. (Dr.) and Mrs. Boyce, who have been spending some weeks in the city, while Dr. Boyce took his captain's course at the Royal School of Instruction, Work Point, have returned to their home at Vernon, in the Okanagan Valley.

Mrs. Rogers, wife of the Hon. Robert Rogers, former Minister of Public Works in the Federal House, arrived in the city this morning from Winnipeg, accompanied by Mrs. Robt. Rogers, Jr., and children. They are staying at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. Kemball, who has been spending the winter months in Victoria, has been visiting in Vancouver for a few days as the guest of Mrs. Andrew Jukes. She was accompanied by her daughter, Miss Dorothy Kemball, who left Vancouver on Friday for Toronto to "enlist" with the V. A. D.

At Saturday's meeting of the Social Committee of the Army and Navy Veterans it was decided to hold a dance in the Alexandra Club on Thursday, April 4, at 8 p. m. Further particulars of same will be announced later. A smoker has also been arranged for Thursday, April 11, to be held at the same place.

Mrs. R. T. Colquhoun was hostess at tea at Glencoe Lodge, Vancouver, on Thursday afternoon, Mrs. D. S. Broome, formerly of Victoria, being the guest of honor. Mrs. Macdonald, of Victoria, poured tea. Among those present were Mrs. Fife Welch, Mrs. Arthur Mallins, Mrs. Duff Stuart, Mrs. C. Peck, Mrs. Woodward, Mrs. Pease, Miss Joyce Harvey, Miss Kathleen Watson, Miss Janet Drysdale, Miss Vivian Dana, Miss Bina Taylor and Miss McFeely.

SKOVGAARD RECITAL

Interesting Programme to Be Given at Empress Hotel To-night in Aid of Halifax Blind.

To-night at the Empress Hotel, Axel Skovgaard and his New York Metropolitan Company will give their recital, under the auspices of the Victoria Ladies' Musical Club. In addition to Skovgaard, the violinist, the other well-known artists who will contribute to the very interesting programme are Alice McClung; Skovgaard, the pianist; Marie Kern-Mullen, contralto, and Sofia Stephani, soprano. The entertainment given by this remarkable company of instrumental artists and grand opera singers is after the style of the popular Sunday concerts held in the Metropolitan Opera House, New York City. The programme is wonderfully varied and will include arias from the favorite operas, sung in costume, folk songs, as well as classical music.

The concert has been arranged in aid of the Halifax School for the Blind, and the Ladies' Musical Club hopes for a record attendance to enable them to hand over a handsome sum to this worthy beneficiary.

The WEATHER

Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, March 18.—5 a. m.—Since yesterday an ocean storm area has crossed this province and westerly gales have prevailed on the Coast, Straits and Sound, and rainy, mild weather is general. The weather is fair and mild throughout the prairie provinces.

Reports.
Victoria—Barometer, 29.61; temperature, maximum yesterday, 51; minimum, 39; wind, 8 miles S. E.; rain, trace; weather, fair.
Vancouver—Barometer, 29.60; temperature, maximum yesterday, 45; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, .52; weather, raining.
Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.28; temperature, maximum yesterday, 40; minimum, 30; wind, 4 miles S. W.; rain, .35; weather, cloudy.
Nelson—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 38; rain, .66.

Temperature.
Max. Min.
Kamloops 50 30
Barkerville 30 20
Penticton 28 18
Calgary 28 8
Edmonton 22 12
Qu'Appelle 14 4
Winnipeg 14 4

CHARACTER READING.

At the First Baptist Church, beginning to-morrow evening, Professor W. G. Alexander, the famous character reader, will deliver a series of lectures on "How to Read Character from Heads, Faces, Walk, Handshake, Eyes, Nose, Mouth and Chin." The professor is said to lead in his

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Suit of Fine Quality Blue Serge, is made on tailored lines and features side belt effect. The model is finished with bone buttons and is satin lined. Skirt is in a three-piece effect, **\$29.50.**

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profession to-day, receiving the highest praise wherever he has appeared. He will be well remembered here as a forcible and original speaker, gifted with a fund of wit and humor which kept his audience listening with the deepest interest and applauding with equal fervor. He has lectured throughout the United States and Canada and has crowded houses wherever he goes. The Omaha Bee, speaking of his lectures, says: "We defy any dollar show to interest an audience better than Professor Alexander." There will be no admission for Tuesday evening, and the house will no doubt be crowded.

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Street Collision.—A report is made to the Police that C. Stoney, of 2040 Johnson Street, while cycling on Cook Street, near Vancouver Street, yesterday was run down by a jitney. An investigation is asked.

Has Disappeared.—When the case of Ming Lee came to be called in the Police Court to-day there was no appearance, and it transpired that the late laundry premises he occupied had been deserted and the door locked. He was charged with allowing customers' clothing to remain on the bed he occupied on the premises. Power to apprehend was given. This is not the only Chinese laundry which has gone out of business since the new regulations became effective.

Lodges a Protest.—A protest has been lodged by the Victoria Chapter of the B. C. Association of Electrical Contractors against the rumored attempt of the City Council to amalgamate the positions of City Wiring Inspector and Fire Department Electrician, and submitting that the offices cover different fields.

**THE
VARIETY**
MONDAY—TUESDAY—WEDNESDAY

**JACK
PICKFORD**

"The Spirit of '17"
A GERMAN SPY STORY WITH A NEW TWIST
By Judge Willis Brown.

An extremely interesting love story with a mighty patriotic appeal, making one of the most compelling heart-interest photoplays in recent months.

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RECIPROCAL DUTY ASKED BY MINERS

President of Independent Mine
Owners' Association
Visits Victoria

C. F. Caldwell, vice-president of the Utica mines, is in the city from Kamla, to discuss the question of smelter charges with officials of the Department of Mines. He met here E. W. Widdowson, assayer and metallurgical chemist of Nelson, who with Mrs. Widdowson has been on a holiday at Sound cities. Mr. Caldwell is also president of the Independent Mine Owners' Association in the Kootenay. Mr. Caldwell wants to see an impost of \$15 per ton placed on ores coming into Canada from the United States for treatment, in the same way as a duty is imposed on Canadian ores entering the United States for smelting purposes, he stated to The Times. The situation with regard to the Trail smelter he considers the most important factor in mining in the Kootenay at the present time. The operators not only want equal treatment for ores of foreign origin, but a commission regulating smelter charges and services in the same way as the Railway Commission regulates freight tolls.

Effect on Mining.
Mr. Caldwell claims that before the war zinc was selling for 5c. to 6c. a pound, and the ore from which it was produced was being bought at \$5 per ton by American smelters, whereas about \$17.50 a ton is being paid by Canadian smelters for the same ore, notwithstanding that the zinc has gone up to 5c. instead of 6c. or 6c. He claims that whereas the United States smelters pay \$23.50 per ton for forty per cent. zinc ores when smelter is 5c. a pound, the Trail smelter pays the same amount less duty and extra freight, but when the price goes to 6c. the Trail smelter demands quarter interest of the extra profits; when it reaches 6c. to 8c. they ask half interest of the profits above the smelter charges; when it passes from 8c. to 10c., five-eighths of the profits; from 10c. to 12c., two-thirds of the profits, and when it reaches 20c., takes everything in excess of 12c.

Mr. Caldwell met the members of the Vancouver Chamber of Mines on Thursday, and also J. J. Warren, general manager of the Consolidated Company, who happened to be in Victoria at the same time.

HOSPITAL ACCOMMODATION
Royal Columbian Hospital, New Westminster, Now Has Military Wing Added.

Two hundred patients can now be accommodated in the new military wing of the Royal Columbian Hospital, New Westminster, and the first batch are to arrive this week from the Vancouver General Hospital, which is now overtaxed in regard to accommodation. Orderlies are to be supplied by the military authorities, the hospital supplying the staff of graduate nurses.

Apple-Packing Classes To-morrow.—About fifty students have enrolled in the three apple-packing classes which have been arranged by the Department of Agriculture, and all three classes will commence at the Y. W. C. A. to-morrow. Should there be a sufficient number of extra applications to warrant the step, a fourth class will be formed to be held next week. Would-be students for this class are requested to make early application to Miss Marlett, the secretary of the local "Y."

Esquimalt Canteen.—A canteen for the supply of tobacco, cigarettes, candy, and soft drinks has been opened at the Esquimalt Military Convalescent Hospital. Lieut. J. E. Manning is chairman of the canteen committee, and Sergt. R. M. King, late of the 67th Battalion, secretary-treasurer.

Call for Soldiers of the Soil



HIS EXCELLENCY, THE DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE

Ottawa, March 18.—His Excellency the Duke of Devonshire, Governor-General of Canada, is warmly in sympathy with the Soldiers of the Soil Movement to enroll an army of boys to help in the production of food in Canada during the coming summer and autumn. He has issued an appeal directed to all boys in Canada. He says:

"TO THE BOYS OF CANADA."

"Thousands of the best and bravest of our young men are now fighting on the battlefields of France and Flanders, and thousands more would willingly be alongside them if they were old enough to join the army. But if they cannot go overseas, they have plenty of opportunity here at home. Food is badly wanted. Providence has been generous to us. We have vast tracts of land crying out for cultivation. Here is the opportunity for every healthy, active lad to do something. Much good work was accomplished last year. This year the demand is greater than ever."

"I confidently appeal to the boys of

Canada to make the best use of their brains and muscles and to do their part in bringing victory to our cause."

"DEVONSHIRE,
"Governor-General."
Government House, Ottawa,
March, 1918.

Enrollment of the boys in the Soldiers of the Soil is taking place this week at the High School Y. M. C. A. Over 25,000 boys are expected to enroll in this army of the soil throughout Canada.

What such an army can do in actual work and in saving the time of able-bodied men will amount to an increase equal to upwards of four million bushels of wheat. And it may be the last million bushels of wheat that will win the war.

Every boy in Canada will be proud to respond to the Governor-General's appeal and to help to produce the food that now counts for so much in the fight against the Huns.



JACK PICKFORD in "The Spirit of '17"

A Paramount Picture

AT THE VARIETY THEATRE TO-NIGHT

RAILWAY BRIDGE IS AGAIN IN LIMELIGHT

Mayor Todd Will Advocate
Forcing Company to Make
Necessary Repairs

Mayor Todd will make a recommendation to the City Council this evening with regard to the board walk on the south side of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company's bridge at Johnson Street.

The recommendation grows out of the discussion at the Civic Streets Committee on Friday, when the City Engineer reported that the sidewalk

is in need of immediate attention and repairs. In the Mayor's absence, Alderman Andros criticized His Worship for blocking the negotiations for a settlement looking to the construction of a new bridge by refusing to enter into amicable negotiations with the railway company.

The recommendation which the Mayor now makes is that notice should be at once served upon the railway company to the effect that repairs are needed and calling upon the railway to make the necessary repairs. Failing prompt action on the part of the railway, then he suggests that the city at once should take the necessary legal or other action to compel the railway to make the needed repairs.

The Mayor reviews the whole circumstances of the negotiations leading up to the construction of the bridge in 1887 and the application to the Railway Commissioners in 1909, together with subsequent applications.

Arising out of this application in 1909 a temporary arrangement without prejudice was reached in September, and the City Council constructed an approach to the bridge for pedestrians from the foot of Johnson Street and erected a temporary handrail along the north side of the pedestrian walk paralleling the south side of the bridge. The Mayor maintains that "without prejudice" in the arrangement was superfluous, as the use of the bridge by the entire public and not exclusively by the citizens of Victoria is a right which the City Council of Victoria has no power to abrogate or waive. His Worship cites a number of authorities to argue that the public rights have always existed on the bridge and the railway company is bound to keep it in repair.

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inclusive to enroll in the Soldiers of the Soil to help raise the food so necessary to win the war.

Boys will be paid regular wages according to their ability and willingness to work.

Also every boy who gives three months of satisfactory service will be presented with a bronze

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by the Government of the Dominion of Canada.

This Badge in after years will be proof that that boy did his bit for his country.

Every boy whether he hires out or works on his father's farm at home will be entitled to the medal if he works for three months.

See your High School Teacher, Scout Master or Y. M. C. A. Secretary and get the enrollment blank.

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Brig.-Gen. W. A. White, C. M. G., representing the British War Mission, who had started a whirlwind campaign to recruit 20,000 men in the United States, has already secured over 21,000 volunteers in the United States for the British and Canadian armies, an additional 15,000 falling to pass the physical examination. His two chief assistants are his son, A. D. C. Lieut. Cyril J. White, who served for nine months in France, and Capt. C. E. Kilmer, C. E. F.

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FIFTH REGIMENT CONCERT

Excellent Programme Featuring Irish Numbers Last Night: Deane Wells, 15 Soloist, Sang Own Composition.

A large audience was in attendance at the concert given by the 5th Regiment Band in the Royal Victoria Theatre last evening to enjoy an excellent programme of music.

The Band was seriously handicapped by the absence through illness of eight members, but in spite of that rendered the various selections with true musical excellence, receiving from the audience several well-earned encores. Especially appropriate and much appreciated was the Irish selection, "Songs of Ireland." The euphonium solo by Bandman Vinal was one of the best features of the evening, the soloist being in fine form and receiving a very hearty encore. The vocal duet, "Irish Love," composed

and sung by J. Deane Wells, was much enjoyed, as was also his second number, "An Irish Lullaby," both of his solos being encores. Mrs. A. J. Gibson presided at the piano, and the Band was under the capable leadership of Bandmaster Smith.

The Government requirements of ash trees for aeroplanes for twelve months are 300,000 trees. In the last few weeks between 2,000 and 4,000 have been offered by patriotic persons.

SCOTT'S EMULSION
RELIEVES SORE, TIGHT CHESTS

ETHEL BARRYMORE PLAYS FINE PART

Role of "Egypt" in "The Call of Her People" Makes Feature Popular at Pantages

There is an extraordinarily fine motion picture feature showing on the Pantages screen to-day and to-morrow. It is entitled "The Call of Her People," being the screen version of Edward Sheldon's famous play "Egypt." Perhaps the production might not have been so notable had not the role of "Egypt," the fascinating untamed gypsy beauty, been played by the supreme star of both stage and screen—Ethel Barrymore. It is a marvelous picture, powerfully cast and splendidly presented.

As the story goes a band of gypsies is camped for the first time in years on the outskirts of a Southern Georgia town. Young Faro, son of the gypsy chief, Faro Black, loves Egypt, the most beautiful girl in the tribe, and she returns his love, but Faro Black forbids their marriage. Years before, a gypsy girl beloved by the chief married Gordon Lindsay, a wealthy resident of this town. After the birth of their child, she returned to the gypsy camp to die, not being able to bear the stifling ways of civilization. Faro Black has never forgiven the rich "Gorgio" for the death



Rarely has a role been made so interesting as Miss Ethel Barrymore's interpretation of "Egypt" in "The Call of Her People," showing to-day and to-morrow on the Pantages screen.

of the girl, and now plans a unique revenge. He orders that Young Faro be tied hand and foot, and he takes Egypt away to the mansion of Gordon Lindsay, representing that she is his daughter brought by his young wife to the tribe.

Egypt is thoroughly unhappy in her new home. Young Nicholas Van Kleet, her father's friend, is the only one who seems to understand her. He falls in love with the girl's wild, untamed beauty, and wants to marry her, and Lindsay strongly advocates the marriage.

Faro Black is dead, and Young Faro, who has been kept a constant prisoner, now becomes chief of the tribe. His first act is to turn the caravan back toward the home of Lindsay, with the intention of claiming Egypt. Faro climbs the vines that lead to Egypt's room. Van Kleet enters and discovers him, and the two men ask her to choose between them. She says she will stand by her promise to Van Kleet, and he goes to have the bloodhounds tied up, permitting the gypsy to escape. Faro and Egypt at once leave the Lindsay mansion. He is captured by a group of the villagers, but Egypt saves him from them and together gypsy man and gypsy maid ride away to happiness and the open road.

COMEDY COMING FOR APRIL FOOL DAY

"Maggie" is a whole-souled but illiterate Irish girl living in a tenement house district in New York City, and in the first act of the play by the same name, she is seen at the wash tub, singing at her work. This is the character assumed by Miss Phyllis Neilson-Terry in the new comedy which she will present at the Royal Victoria Theatre, Monday and Tuesday, April 1st and 2nd, and it may prove a little bit shocking at first to her admirers to see this famous English actress in such a make-up. It is only in one act, however, that she appears thus, and the next two show her in the most brilliant of costumes, a little over accentuated perhaps as Maggie naturally would do, since she has fallen her very suddenly to a fortune and a title in the bargain. The play of "Maggie" is all comedy, and held solely for the purpose of creating laughter.

OTIS SKINNER COMING Famous Actor Will Play at the Royal Victoria in "Mister Antonio."

Otis Skinner in his greatest success in years, "Mister Antonio," comes to the Royal Theatre shortly, and is sure of a warm welcome. No actor on the American stage to-day has a greater hold on the theatre-going public from coast to coast than has Mr. Skinner. Not only is he a great actor but he is a man of remarkable education and refinement. He is an after-dinner speaker of note and a writer of no mean ability. He has given to the stage some of the most picturesque characters of history and his portrayals have always been artistic and well worth while. In "Mister Antonio," written for him by Booth Tarkington, he plays the lovable role of Tony Cameradonio, an Italian organ-grinder who travels about from place to place doing kindnesses and making others happy.

ELSIE FERGUSON IN ROSE OF THE WORLD

As Rosamond the Heroine Finds Many Opportunities to Display Her Art

A new Elsie Ferguson photoplay, released by Artercraft, will be soon shown at the Royal Victoria Theatre, entitled "Rose of the World," for the first time to-night. It is a dramatization of the well-known book by Agnes and Edgerton Castle.

In this subject Miss Ferguson will be seen in a role similar to those in which she has won her greatest triumphs on the regular stage. The press of the country has been flooded with praise by dramatic critics of Miss Ferguson's emotional work, and she is given wide latitude for the display of her exceptional talents in this direction in "Rose of the World." As Rosamond, the heroine of the story, she encounters incidents of such dramatic intensity that her hair turns white.

The story has a military atmosphere, and the role of Miss Ferguson carries much sympathy as the wife of a dashing young captain who loses his life in a heroic manner. In portraying the events that disturbed the life of Rosamond she rises to sublime heights of artistry. Her work on the stage as the star in "Such a Little Queen," "Shirley-Kaye," "Outcast," "Margaret Schiller," and other successful plays, placed her on the top rung of the histrionic ladder, but all her past endeavors are eclipsed in the remarkable interpretation she has made in her latest film play, "Rose of the World."

NORMA TALMADGE IN GHOSTS OF YESTERDAY

Superb Settings and Gorgeous Scenes Feature This Famous Film

With an overwhelming record of successes to her credit, Norma Talmadge, Select star, has achieved the triumph of her career in "Ghosts of Yesterday," adapted from "Two Women," the dramatic hit by Rugert Hughes, which is at the Dominion Theatre to-day. This prolific writer has had a remarkably long list of successful plays and novels, including "Empty Pockets," and "We Can't Have Everything."

"Two Women" was made famous as a vehicle by Mrs. Leslie Carter, the international actress, and Miss Talmadge's interpretation of the leading role in the film adaptation is the most pretentious characterization she has created, and establishes even more firmly her position as a great emotional actress. In this production, and Miss Talmadge's productions are known for the sumptuousness of their sets and the superb acting of their casts—she has outdone even her own record along these lines.

One set, for example, which portrays the interior of the Bal Tabarin in Paris, will delight audiences with its sheer beauty, its expensive gorgeousness, and the life of the gay throng in the scene.

The direction of "Ghosts of Yesterday" is by Charles Miller, for many years affiliated with Triangle, and recently engaged with "The Secret of the Storm Country." Miss Talmadge's leading man is Eugene O'Brien, also with her in "Poppy" and "The Moth," and now enjoying a hit on Broadway in "The Country Cousin."

JACK PICKFORD IN THE SPIRIT OF "17"

In Film at "The Variety" is Shown Fine Display of Courage

In "The Spirit of '17," in which Jack Pickford is appearing as star at the Variety Theatre this week, it is shown by the author, Judge Willis Brown, of the Chicago Juvenile Court, in this, his first venture into screenland, that as long as a man has the necessary courage and can still shoulder a musket, he is good enough to defend a town. The idea arises when the youth typified by Mr. Pickford in the story finds the workmen in his town in danger of being led into a violent strike by German agents.

He invokes the aid of a company formed from the ranks of the men who once before had fought for their country and its cause; the veterans with pride and hearts again singing with the buoyant spirit of youth-time, march into the breach and stop the foreign cohorts in their attempted marauding until the hastily summoned militia can arrive.

Mr. Pickford's work is especially good as "Davy Gidden," while that of the excellent cast, including Katherine McDonald, Edythe Chapman, Jack Johnson and Helen Eddy, is remarkably in accord with the excellence of the entire production. Scene effect of exceptional beauty have been secured by cameraman Homer Scott. Julia Crawford Ivers, who arranged the story for screen presentation has done several of young Mr. Pickford's scenarios, including "Tom Sawyer," in which he scored a signal success.

Adolph Zukor
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"If you were a beautiful young woman and your first husband had been a dashing Army Officer and your second husband was an old man whom you married in a moment of weakness, and you found your love for your dead husband growing stronger until you could not bear the presence of your second husband, and to complicate matters, if your first husband's best friend fell in love with you, what would you do?"

Come to the

ROYAL VICTORIA TO-NIGHT

and see how Miss Elsie Ferguson handled the situation in the Artercraft photoplay entitled "ROSE OF THE WORLD"

Ethel Barrymore



The Star Sublime, in

"The Call of Her People"

A Marvellous Screen Version of

The Famous Play "EGYPT" by Edward Sheldon

TO-DAY PANTAGES TUESDAY

Coming Wednesday—VAUDEVILLE—Seven Features

FIVE METZETTIS KINCAID KILTIES BOB ALBRIGHT
Death-Defying Acrobats 10—People from the Highlands—10 "The Male Melba"

P.O.'S—BUT NOT POLICEMEN.

The recent appointment of several notable people—Sir Eric Geddes and Mr. Justice Darling amongst them—to be members of the Privy Council serves to call to mind the many quaint, old-time privileges that still cling to this most ancient and honorable office. To attempt the life of a Privy Councillor, for instance, is a capital offence; and, although he may be merely an ordinary commoner, at all State

functions a P.C. takes precedence immediately after the Knights of the Garter.

The King himself presides in person over their deliberations, whereas, he is never present at a meeting of the Cabinet. It is the King, too, who summons them to take private (i.e. privy) counsel with him, whereas an ordinary Cabinet meeting is summoned by the Prime Minister.

The officers of the Privy Council are at the Treasury Buildings in White-

hall, where the Lord President—who is always a Cabinet Minister—has his private room. Here, too, assemblies from time to time the Judicial Committee of the Council, the most august legal body in the world, probably, constituting as it does the final Court of Appeal for the whole of the British Empire.—Tit-Bits.

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Again Remanded.—Magistrate Jay in the Police Court to-day demurred at the proposal to give yet another remand to Robert J. Riley, on a charge of fraud. F. J. Stacpoole, K. C., secured an adjournment until to-morrow, it being stated that an endeavor was being made to communicate with accused's friends.

To Dispatch Copies.—Instructions have been issued to police departments to forward all seized copies of the Forbidden Mystery to Ottawa. The 300 copies seized or surrendered in Victoria will be forwarded at once. There will, however, not be any slackening of effort to secure any stray copies which have hitherto escaped the vigilance of the police.

Mr. Thompson Preached.—In the absence of Rev. Dr. Clay, who has gone to Toronto to attend a meeting of the Home Mission Committee, it was expected that Principal McKay would conduct the services at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Sunday. Unfortunately Principal McKay, who had just returned from a trip to the interior, was quite indisposed and unable to come to Victoria. Rev. E. G. Thompson, of Marpole Presbyterian Church, conducted both services.

Must Explain Himself.—Samuel T. Flank, a second-hand dealer, appeared in the Police Court to-day, and was remanded on a charge of being in possession of stolen articles, these being five cut glass articles. The case is a sequel to one which occurred in the Police Court of Oak Bay last week. William C. Moreby, who is defending, applied for and secured a remand until Thursday.

Food Will With the War.—Produce It—Hear Mrs. Jean Muldrew, Dominion Expert on War Food Economy, lecture at High School on Tuesday, March 19, at 8 o'clock. Introductory remarks by Mr. J. W. Gibson, of the Department of Agriculture, and music by a selected choir from the Boys' Central School, under Mr. H. J. Polard. No admission. No collection.

County Court.—Judge Lammiman has fixed Thursday, March 21, as the date of trial in the cases of Rex vs. Mah Hing and Rex vs. Mullen. The case of Williams vs. Mitchell, in which N. W. Whitaker is appearing for plaintiff and J. S. Brandon for the defendant, was commenced this morning. The action is a claim for money alleged due on a chattel mortgage. The case was continued this afternoon after the noon adjournment.

An Unhappy Marriage.—Thomas Hume, a returned soldier, entered a plea of guilty in the City Police Court to-day on a charge of an assault causing bodily harm to his wife. She had been badly beaten and the Magistrate said that she had complained of threats when the information was sworn. Counsel for both stated that the parties could not agree and that the best course would be to have a mutual separation. It was stated further that Hume objected to the companions of the wife, owing to the nature of her employment as a waitress. They had only been married four months, and accused was in a high strung state on account of injuries at the front. A suspended sentence pending the draft of a separation was granted.

Dr. Ashton's Address to-morrow.—Dr. Ashton, who is to speak on "The University of British Columbia and Literature," before the Women's Canadian Club at the Y. W. C. A. to-morrow afternoon, is a B. A. of the University of Paris. He was for some time Officier de l'Instruction Publique in France, and later was Professor of Literature and French lecturer at the University of Birmingham, England. He is now of the faculty at the University of Birmingham, England. He is now of the faculty at the University of British Columbia, as Professor of French. The Club executive feel that it is especially kind of Dr. Ashton to make the journey from Vancouver to address the club, as he has to be in the city again on Friday next, and for this reason it is hoped that the attendance of the previous lectures of this series, will be eclipsed to-morrow afternoon.

PREPARATIONS FOR BIG PUBLIC MEETING

Premier, Lady Member, and Local Representatives to Deliver Addresses

Premier Oliver, Mrs. Ralph Smith and the city members will be the speakers at the big public meeting called by the Victoria Men's and Women's Liberal Associations for Thursday next at the K. of P. Hall. This will be the first opportunity Victorians will have to hear the new Premier since his appointment and the first opportunity of hearing the first lady member of the Legislature at a public meeting since her election. The local members too will have had some political experiences since the last time they appeared before the electorate, so that it is anticipated that the attendance will be large. The fact that there will be an election here in the near future to fill the vacancy in the Legislature caused by the death of the late Premier will give a fillip to the proceedings. It has been suggested that in case a suitable man is chosen he would be returned by acclamation, thus eliminating the expense of an election. However that may be, everyone interested in good government will be anxious to keep posted on provincial affairs. A large attendance of ladies is expected.

BOOKS, GAMES, MUSIC NEEDED FOR WILLOWS

Y. M. C. A. Military Secretary Appeals for Amusements for Soldiers in Quarantine

Several fresh cases of measles have developed at the Willows Camp. In spite of every precaution and the means that the men will be further quarantined for some weeks. The enforced isolation from their friends, and confinement within the comparatively small limits of the camp is naturally very irksome and great credit is due to the Y. M. C. A. which has done so much to provide amusement and recreation for the soldiers. With such a large number of men, large supplies of reading matter are needed and H. G. Estabrook, the military secretary to the Y. M. C. A., has made the following appeal to the public: "The Military Y. M. C. A. whose Hut at the Willows Camp was commenced at the beginning of the quarantine for the isolation hospital now has four marquees and a competent man in charge in the tent area. Each marquee is provided with stove, tables, settees, etc., and a generous supply of writing material and magazines. As far as limitations will permit these places mean a comfortable social centre for the men. "There is urgent need for a copious supply of magazines, books, gramophone records, sheet music and popular song collections. The camp has several gramophones and about two hundred records, but there is a large number of men to serve and a wider area than heretofore to cover, and new records are always welcome. There are three pianos in the area, but the supply of music is very meagre. Books are badly needed because the main portion of our library is in the hut and cannot yet be used in the general camp area. Contributions of games, etc., suitable for use in the tents will also be very welcome. "We also hope to supply refreshments, fruit and sweets occasionally for the use of their men at the little social gatherings. "The Y. M. C. A. counts it a great privilege to represent the citizens of Victoria in these simple services for the men in uniform at this trying time, and any contributions along the lines suggested will be very gratefully received at the Central Y. M. C. A. and will be promptly placed in the camp for the men."

MRS. WHYTE LAID TO REST. The funeral of the late Mary Whyte, wife of Alexander Whyte, of 155 Rendall Street, was held on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, from the family residence. The Rev. John McCoy officiated at the services at the house and the graveside. There was a very large attendance of sorrowing friends and relatives, and J. G. Brown, an old friend of the family, led the singing of the hymns, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" and "Safe in the Arms of Jesus." The pallbearers were, J. F. Renfree, J. Taylor, D. Y. Givens, W. C. Kerr, W. Phillips and C. Beasley. The casket was hidden under a wealth of beautiful floral tributes, a testament of the respect in which the deceased was held. Among the many floral offerings were the following: The family, the Phillips family, Sooke; Mr. and Mrs. W. Phillips, Sooke; Mr. and Mrs. E. Milne and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. Beasley, Mr. and Mrs. D. Givens and family, Renzie & Taylor, Fire Department Headquarters and Recreation Club, Victoria West Football Club, boys of the Y. M. C. A., Albion Store Works Co., employees Albion Store Works, Hawthorne Circle King's Daughters, W. C. Kerr, Miss Mary Mitchell and Mrs. McLennan, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Renfree and Miss Renfree, Mrs. P. W. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. R. Peden, Mrs. N. Coles, Mrs. Stout and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. W. Allan, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ewing, Mr. and Mrs. W. Petticrew, Alex. Houston, and Major and Mrs. P. J. Riddell.

NO FREAKISH STYLES WORN THIS SEASON

Serviceability, Smartness and Charm Mark the Fashions Displayed at Gordon's, Ltd.

Dame Fashion, that fickle arbitress of woman's attire, is for the nonce displaying a mood reflecting the general tendency to relegate to the limbo of forgotten things the prodigality which characterized the world of things feminine in pre-war days. This season is marked by an absence of the freak fashions so often emanating from Paris and New York, and in cut and material the predominating styles are in keeping with the subdued spirit of a world under the shadow of a vast struggle. Happily this does not mean that pretty colors and becoming styles are no longer in evidence, but that the cult of the bizarre is considered out of fashion and as such is not tolerated by women of taste.

Poke-Shape Popular. Striking evidence of this is shown in the latest millinery. A visit to the millinery salon at Gordon's, Ltd., brings irresistibly to one's mind the line "The flowers that bloom in the spring, tra-la," for the array of dainty chapeaux suggest a bright flower-bed. While the neutral tints of grey and beige hold bigger sway this year than in former seasons, yet they are relieved by touches of bright coloring which are singularly effective. The quaint "poke" shape, less exaggerated than the poke bonnet of Early Victorian days, is perhaps the predominating pattern. Georgette is largely used in the creation of this style, often combined with the new "caterpillar" straw, and with a trimming of tiny gay French flowers. The shape is very becoming, and an easy one for most women to wear, for which reason it is anticipated that the poke model will be very popular this season.

Small-Headgear. There is still a tendency to cling to the smaller headgear, which has been found such a boon in this somewhat windy city. Nevertheless, the woman whose features demand a picture-hat may find such an objection. Among the most beautiful of this larger type was a modelled champagne georgette, faced with black straw and trimmed with a spray of French flowers. Accompanying this was a fascinating bag to match, of similar materials, the two forming a combination set which would add just the correct finishing touch to a smart spring suit. Such a set would make a charming accessory to a bride's going-away toilette.

One hates to turn to the darker side, yet bereavement is unhappily frequent in these days of war, and one is reminded of that sad fact by the mourning millinery of which this store has a wide range, both in turban, poke and larger styles.

Serviceable and Smart. Serviceability combined with smartness is the keynote of the season's suits, coats and dresses. Here again there has been no attempt to foist upon the eternal feminine any exaggerated style, but rather there is a breadth of range which is of inestimable value to the woman whose purse prevents her from following every changing mood of fashion. So conservative are the styles that there is little to "date," and the taste of every woman can be suited. Gabardine, serges and tweeds are as popular as ever, while for the women who seek "something different," there are fabrics and fashions to suit her whim. The inimitable coat-frock which has obtained such a stronghold, is still to the fore, and the newest cut is delightfully youthful, but dignified withal. The one-piece frock, or as it has been called the Billie Burke gown, demands the top-coat, and these are being shown in the lighter shades and fabrics demanded by warmer, brighter days. Military braiding makes its reappearance on suits and coats and frocks, with charming effect. The skirts are noticeably narrower, but the veiled suggestion that there is to be an attempt to return to the uncomfortable day of the hobble skirt, appears to be a very remote possibility.

Separate Skirt. The separate skirt has come back again, and is featured in silk poplin and Japanese taffeta. These are made with the large pockets which proved such a boon for the receptacle of the handkerchief and change purse, to say nothing of the ubiquitous powder-puff. A natural concomitant of the separate skirt is the waist, which is making a bold bid for favor in the foremost fashion centres. When one sees the sheer, daintiness of the crepe-de-chene and lingerie waists, one wonders that women could ever forego their delicate charms even in favor of the accommodating one-piece gown. There is a femininity about a dainty waist which is irresistible. Crepe-de-chene seems to be the popular material—doubtless owing to the ever-increasing cost of georgette, which places it without the pale for the woman of modest means. The vogue for striped waists is in the ascendant, to be worn with the tailored suits, and these may be found at Gordon's in every conceivable shade and combination of colors.

Concert at St. Margaret's School.—On Saturday afternoon at St. Margaret's School Miss Hemling gave the third and last of her present series of educational concerts. But in response to the generally expressed desire of the audience she hopes to resume them in the autumn. An interesting talk on "Why we love music" was given by Mrs. Hedden Gillespie, and Miss Hemling gave a brief address on "Tests in Listening," illustrated with excerpts from Schumann's Album for the Young. Vocal numbers were rendered by Mrs. Jesse Longfield, who was in



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PLAN IS TO DYNAMITE HAIR SEALS IN LAIR

New Westminster, March 18.—The work of killing hair seals wholesale in the Fraser River will be resumed by the Dominion Fisheries Department early in April. Fisheries officers here are now completing their preparations and are only waiting for the tides to be favorable for the work.

The plan as adopted last season consists in mining a sandbar somewhere near the mouth of the Fraser where the seals come out in hundreds to sun themselves. When conditions are right the whole bar is blown up by pressing a button half a mile or more away which sends an electric current through the explosives planted in the sand. Great care has to be exercised as the seals are wary and will dive into the water at the slightest alarm.

No definite instructions have been received from Ottawa by Fisheries Inspector Cunningham regarding the request of fishermen for an increase in the bounty paid for seals.



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TREMENDOUS SEAS CAUSED WRECKAGE

Liner Chicago Maru Battled With Raging Hurricanes on Trans-Pacific Voyage

CARGO OVERBOARD NO. 2 HATCH STOVE IN

Bearing conspicuous evidence of a tempestuous passage the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner Chicago Maru was in port to-day from the Far East.

Throughout her trans-Pacific voyage the Chicago Maru was assailed by heavy weather, the big liner suffering extensive damage while battling with the elements.

Two mountainous seas spent their force on deck leaving considerable wreckage in their wake. Part of the deck cargo, stowed in the well-deck aft, was washed overboard when a tremendous comber flopped aboard as the steamship was being nursed through a terrific storm encountered off the Aleutian Islands. All was serene for the first few days out from Japan, but trouble broke aplenty when the liner was crossing the 180th meridian.

At midday on March 6 a giant wave swept over the stern, and flooded the well-deck aft. A quantity of Japanese saucers in caaks stowed on deck got the full benefit of the unexpected deluge, and a large part of the shipment was promptly swept overboard. The weight of the sea was tremendous, and caused the big steamship to shiver under the force of the impact. Luckily the hatch covers held fast, and the vessel recovered herself quickly as the weight of the water was removed. This gale was of short duration, and the liner held on her course without further incident until March 14, when she plunged into a bad northeaster.

The following day another mountainous sea whipped up by a southerly hurricane was shipped, this time amidst ships, and the decks presented a sorry sight after the water had surged through the scuppers. No. 2 hatch was stove in badly; hatch boards were hurled from their fastenings; covers ripped to pieces, and steel battens used in battening down the hatches, were bent like pieces of tin. The poop companion ladder was carried away, and steering-rod protectors were no longer protectors. The big liner was steered to ride with the storm, and with the deckhands working at high pressure some semblance of order was soon restored out of chaos.

An examination showed that much sea water had found its way into No. 2 hold, and a quantity of mail and general freight damaged by the soaking to which it was subjected.

Bad Voyage, Says Master.
"It was a bad voyage," said Capt. Y. Salto this morning, in making reference to the heavy weather encountered. The liner was seventeen days making the trip from Yokohama, a passage usually covered in sixteen days by a vessel of this type. Gales of varying violence hammered the ship almost continuously. The wind screamed over the steamship from all points of the compass, and the barometer was exceedingly low.

Fifty Feet High.
Capt. Salto says that the big sea, which caused the damage, was fifty feet high, and he considers it most fortunate to have escaped with no greater damage. The Chicago Maru brought in 114 passengers, there being six Japanese in the cabin, a tourist party numbering fifty-three Japanese, conducted by T. Abe, traveling intermediate class, and fifty-five in the steerage. The total cargo amounted to about 7,000 tons, including 300 tons for Victoria. The silk shipment amounted to 1,128 bales of raw silk and 374 cases of silk goods.

RUPERT IS BACK IN SERVICE THIS WEEK

Promotion of Officers Sees Number of New Faces in George's Complement

The Alaska service of the G. T. P. will be inaugurated on Thursday next when the steamship Prince Rupert, Capt. Duncan McKenzie, will leave Vancouver at midnight for Skagway via Prince Rupert, Ketchikan, Wrangell and Juneau. The Prince Rupert has just completed her annual overhaul at Prince Rupert and she is scheduled to leave the Northern terminal on Wednesday morning, arriving at Vancouver on Thursday afternoon and doubling right back in the Skagway service.

The steamship Prince George, Capt. D. Donald, will continue to maintain weekly sailings between Victoria and Anyox via Vancouver and Prince Rupert. This service will be continued until June 24, when the summer schedule will become effective.

The Prince George left port at 10 o'clock this morning on her northern trip carrying a good list of passengers. Has New Officers.
Capt. Donald has a number of new officers under him owing to promotions in the service. J. McKern, formerly with the Prince Albert, is chief officer of the Prince George, succeeding H. Neden, now master of the Prince Albert. D. McKinnon, who was second officer on the Prince John, is now second on the George, succeeding J. Flood, transferred to the Albert. J. Smith succeeds R. Roberts as third officer, the latter having been given the berth of second officer on the Prince John.

Due Next Week.
The Prince Albert is due here this week from the North to undergo her annual overhaul. It is understood that Yarrows, Ltd., will handle the contract.

The Prince John will leave Vancouver tomorrow, inaugurating the direct service to the Queen Charlotte Islands.

WIRELESS REPORTS

March 18, 8 a.m.

Point Grey—Cloudy; S. W.; 25.65; 43; sea smooth.
Cape Lazo—Clear; calm; 29.49; 27; sea smooth. Spoke str Valdes, 11.59 p.m., five miles south of Union Bay, northbound; spoke str Despatch, 11.55 p.m., off Sister's Island, southbound.
Pachena—Overcast; S. W.; fresh; 29.44; 40; sea rough.
Estevan—Rain; calm; 29.31; 39; light swell.
Alert Bay—Clear; calm; 29.18; sea smooth. Passed out, str Camosun, 3.15 a.m., southbound; passed in str Princess Beatrice, 3.30 a.m., southbound.
Triangle—Rain; S. W.; light; 29.50; 33; sea moderate. Spoke str Anyox, 7 p.m., Millbank Sound, southbound; spoke str Portland, midnight, Millbank Sound, northbound.
Dead Tree Point—Cloudy; calm; 29.30; 21; sea smooth.
Ikeda Bay—Rain; calm; 28.82; 35; sea smooth.
Prince Rupert—Overcast; calm; 29.02; 36; sea smooth. Spoke str Curacao, 8 a.m., off Chacon Island, southbound.
Noon.
Point Grey—Cloudy; S. E.; 29.60; 44; sea smooth.
Cape Lazo—Clear; S. E.; fresh; 29.50; 46; light swell.
Pachena—Cloudy; S. W.; fresh; 29.45; 44; sea moderate.
Estevan—Passing showers; calm; 29.22; 43; light swell. Spoke str Princess Maquinna, 3.15 a.m., off Cape Beale, southbound; spoke str Tees, 10.25 a.m., off Lennard Island, southbound.
Alert Bay—Cloudy; calm; 29.13; 45; sea smooth. Passed out, str Princess Beatrice, 3.15 a.m., southbound.
Triangle—Overcast; S. W.; moderate; 29.51; 40; sea moderate. Spoke str Northwestern, 11 a.m., off Cape St. James, southbound; spoke str Ravalli, 11 a.m., Millbank Sound, northbound.
Dead Tree Point—Overcast; S. E.; light; 29.28; 36; sea smooth.
Ikeda Bay—Rain; calm; 28.82; 35; sea smooth.
Prince Rupert—Snow; calm; 29.00; 33; thick seaward. Passed out, str Prince Albert, towing scows, 9.15 a.m., southbound; passed out, str Princess May, 9.55 a.m., southbound.

SCHOONER LAUREL WHALEN COMING ON

Vancouver, March 18.—Word has been received at the office of the H. W. Brown Company to the effect that the auxiliary schooner Laurel Whalen, which became disabled while en route from San Francisco to this port with a cargo of salt and was forced to put back to the Golden Gate port, is due to sail in a day or two. She will take on lumber at Genoa Bay and Chemainus after discharging the salt here. This vessel was built at Victoria and this is the completion of her first round trip.

UNSINKABLE SHIP IS MAXIM'S INVENTION

Device to Keep Vessels Afloat When Torpedoed to Be Given Trial

Washington, March 18.—Hedden Maxim's device for a non-sinkable ship has been accepted for experimental purposes by the Shipping Board, which announced last night that the officials had decided that some start should be made toward producing vessels that could not be sunk by submarines.

Out of thousands of methods suggested, the Ship Protection Committee, headed by John A. Donald, has selected several for special tests, of which Mr. Maxim's will be the first.
As described by Mr. Maxim to a Senate committee after the Shipping Board first made an unfavorable report on it, his device consists of a row of cylinders containing water placed around the interior of the vessel's hull. Back of the cylinders would be a steel screen. Explosion of a torpedo would atomize the water against the screen, the vapor dispersing the heat and absorbing the gases which cause the damage in an explosion.

PUAKO IS DETAINED BY LACK OF SEAMEN

Capt. Peterson Keeps Agents Jumping in Effort to Get Full Crew

The departure of the four-masted barquentine Puako for South Africa hinges solely upon the time that elapses before sufficient seamen are secured to round out her crew.

Laden with a full cargo of lumber the Puako reached here from Vancouver last week-end in tow of the tug Clayburn, and she is now swinging idly at anchor in the upper reaches of Esquimaux harbor.

In the past vessels coming here for crews used to drop anchor in the Royal Roads, but war conditions have altered this, all craft desiring to anchor being required to seek a haven beyond the Flanagan Light.

Capt. Peterson, whose middle name has some association with Dante's Inferno, is of an impulsive disposition, and has the reputation of being a man of action. He is already chafing at the seemingly unnecessary delay and unless the required material is lined up within the next few days the atmosphere contiguous to the Puako's skipper will be electrically charged.

Growing More Serious.
It is the ever-recurring question. For some months past the shortage of seamen has been acute and the situation is daily growing worse. There is no doubt that a much more serious situation will have to be faced by the time the wooden steamships now completing on the British Columbia coast are ready for sea. The first steamer, the War Yukon, is expected to be ready for sea within about six weeks, and other vessels will be turned over rapidly afterwards.

The officers for the first two ships have been sent out from the Old Country by the Fernie Line, but the men to make up the crews are not available and are not likely to be. In order to meet the unusual situation it is expected that the Federal Government will arrange for the transfer of those seamen who have been drafted from ocean and coastwise services under the Military Service Act.

The most conservative estimate is that at least five hundred men will be required to man the twenty-seven steamships that are now completing on this coast.

MAY MEAN REMOVAL OF AUSTRALIAN BOATS FROM B. C. SERVICE

London, March 18.—The Australian Government, according to a dispatch to The Times from Sydney, has completed a scheme which frees all large ocean-going Australian steamships for the use of the Allies. A pool which will control 120 ships engaged in coastwise trade will be formed.

GAS SCHOONER SUNK IN GALE OFF COAST

Eureka, Cal., March 18.—One of the strongest windstorms of the season which blew along this coast Saturday night resulted in the sinking near Trinidad Head, of the gasoline schooner Eagle, from Harbor, Que. The schooner was carrying a merry party from the North and has bound all incoming and outgoing vessels. The crew of the Eagle were rescued.

CHARLOTTE IS DUE FOR EXTENSIVE REFIT

C. P. R. Three-Stacker Will Be Out of Commission for Six Weeks

With the resumption this week of the Princess Victoria in the triangular service after a couple of days lay over, the Princess Charlotte will be taken off the route for all extensive refit. The Princess Alice took the Princess Victoria's sailing on Sunday when the latter was withdrawn for machinery overhaul. The officials of the British Columbia Coast Steamship Service announce that the Princess Charlotte will be out of commission for a period of at least six weeks before she will be in proper shape for the busy season ahead.

The C. P. R. is preparing for the inauguration of the spring service to Alaska by withdrawing the Princess Sophia from the Northern route for a refit.

Following her arrival from the North on Saturday, the Princess Sophia loaded a shipment of freight ex-Oriental steamships at the Outer Docks for Vancouver. This week she will be in the hands of the ship renovators.

While the Sophia is out of the service the Princess Royal has been shifted from the Prince Rupert route to the Skagway run, the Princess May taking the Royal's sailings between Vancouver and Prince Rupert.

The Princess Beatrice is plying between Vancouver and Surf Inlet, with calls at Rivers Inlet and Ocean Falls. When the Princess Alice resumes it is probable that she will immediately be placed in the Alaska tourist service, operating in conjunction with the Princess Sophia. During the coming summer the triangular route will be maintained by the Princess Victoria and Princess Charlotte, while the Princess Adelaide and Princess Mary will take care of the night sailings between Victoria and Vancouver.

PRESIDENT MADE FAST RUN FROM CALIFORNIA

Signalizes Her Reappearance in Service by 49-Hour Trip From San Francisco

Making the fast run of forty-nine hours from San Francisco the steamship President, of the Pacific Steamship Company, made the Outer Docks at 2 o'clock this afternoon. While this is considered a good run it is not the fastest trip that the President has made. She has a record of forty-seven hours between San Francisco and Victoria.

This is the first appearance of the President here since last November when, together with the Governor, she was withdrawn from the service and turned over by the United States Shipping Board to the Matson Navigation Company for operation in the San Francisco-Honolulu trade.

For a form of lockjaw in a young girl New York surgeons recently performed an operation affecting the muscles of the lower jaw, and then applied a spring motor that kept the jaw in constant motion. In three weeks, when the appliance was removed, the muscles had developed surprisingly, ensuring natural chewing.



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LINDSAY TO GOVERN PILOTAGE AT HALIFAX

Recommendations of Royal Commission Are to Be Put Into Effect

Ottawa, March 18.—In connection with the report of the Royal Commission which inquired into the pilotage system and its administration at Halifax, it is announced by Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, with the approval of the Government, that steps have been taken to put into effect all the recommendations made by the commissioners. The Minister proposes, as recommended by the Commission, to appoint a superintendent who shall have jurisdiction over pilotage matters in Halifax. He also intends carrying out the recommendations of the commissioners that a suitable pilot tender for the pilotage service should be provided, and negotiations are now under way with a view to securing such a vessel.

It is expected that Captain Lindsay will, for the time being, be asked to undertake the duties of superintendent of pilotage at Halifax. Captain Lindsay was appointed General Superintendent of the pilots at Quebec following the reports of the Royal Commission on Pilotage in 1913. He continued to discharge the duties connected with that office in a satisfactory manner until after the outbreak of war, when he was released to the Military Department in connection with its transportation work. Previous to his appointment as General Superintendent at Quebec, Captain Lindsay was the Chief Examiner of Masters and Mates and also Wreck Commissioner of Canada.

Other recommendations of the commissioners had to do with the appointment and education of apprentices, proper sight examination tests, prohibition of intoxicating liquors, tariff and gratuities. The Royal Commission has completed its inquiry into conditions at Chatham, Newcastle, Sydney and Lewisburg, and probably will open its St. John investigation on Tuesday.

SONS SAIL WITH CAPT. PETERSON ON VESSEL PUAKO

Vancouver, March 18.—The American barquentine Puako, which left here a few days ago with lumber for Cape Town, is manned by one family as regards the after-guard, for Captain Peterson has his two sons acting as mates. The boys are 20 and 18 years of age respectively, and occupy the positions of first and second mate and they are under rigid discipline. They do not take their meals with the captain although he is their dad, and the mere fact that their mother travels

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with the ship does not absolve them from addressing their male parent as "Sir."

LOAD LINE RAISED ON STEAMER ARABIEN

Vancouver, March 18.—The Danish East Asiatic Company, owners of the steamer Arabien, have cabled Captain Phipp that Lloyds has given permission for the load line to be raised and the vessel is therefore allowed to carry more cargo. The change has been made here and the load line raised eighteen and a half inches. The increased capacity amounts to forty tons per inch so the steamer can now carry 740 tons more, which increases her capacity to 9,590 tons.

This Testimonial Takes the Prize

Victoria, March 16, 1918.

Contest Editor, Times:

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CHAMPIONSHIP ICE HOCKEY THIS WEEK

Western and Eastern Officials Are Likely to Handle Series

Toronto, March 18.—This week the Toronto, professional champions of the East, will meet Vancouver, Western champions, in the first fixture for the Stanley Cup, emblematic of the professional championship of the world. First game will be played Wednesday, March 20, under N. H. L. rules. The second game will be played Saturday, March 23, under Pacific Coast rules, which allows officials in the centre of the ice. The third game will be played Tuesday, March 26. The N. H. L. suggested Lou Marsh and Steve Vair as officials for the series. It looks as if Marsh and Mickey Ion, the Western officials, will handle the game here. If there is a fourth game, President Calder, of the N. H. L., will settle the details.

The chances are that Jack Adams and Rusty Crawford will be allowed to play, though they were signed after February 1. They were signed legitimately and the Western champions feel disposed to let them go ahead and play.

With Crawford and Adams, the Blue-shirts, are a strong team and will take a lot of beating. "Cyclone" Taylor, the leading scorer in the Western league, will be a big attraction in himself. Taylor is a speed marvel of the first water and is a clean player.

The players share in the first three games of the series only, and the fans can rest assured that they will try to get it over as soon as possible. Toronto fans will have a chance for the first time to see a real penalty system in professional fixtures.

"THE REST" WINNERS OVER ENGINE-ROOM

Sailor Soccer Teams Battled Saturday at Royal Athletic

At the Royal Athletic Park on Saturday afternoon the crew of H. M. cruiser now in port fielded two soccer teams under the titles, The Engine-Room Department and The Rest, the latter proving victors by the score of three goals to one. The game consisted on the merits of good football was hardly above criticism, but the players themselves appeared to derive no little merit from the proceedings, and spent a generally pleasant afternoon. During the first half of the game the engine-room even had the edge on the eventual winners, and were able to take the lead by one goal to nil.

The real blow to the losers came before the opening of the second period, when two of the team were forced to retire; one through physical and the other by reason of mental injuries. This left the engine-room forces somewhat depleted. Nevertheless the club held together well until the match was well advanced, when, two goals scored in quick succession, turned fortune against them.

The match was refereed by Tom Winslow, who sustained a difficult position in a very creditable manner. The criticism to which he was subjected by some of the players was entirely uncalled for.

RED SOX WALLOP BROOKLYN RIVALS

The Boston Nationals, minus a half-dozen of last season's stars, got off to a good training season start by walloping the Brooklyn Nationals by a score of eleven to one in a game played in Hot Springs, Ark., yesterday. The Red Sox used four pitchers, starting off with Bush, recently acquired from the Philadelphia Athletics.

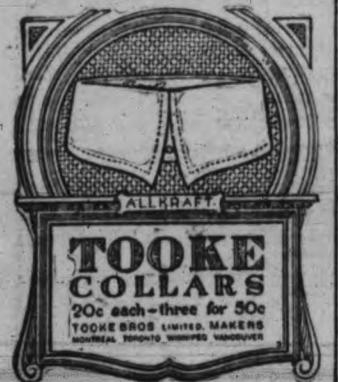
Nine members of last year's Red Sox team are enlisted either in the army or the navy, the latter branch of the service claiming eight of them. Janssen is the only Boston player in the army, while Barry, Shore, Bader, Pennock, McNally, Gainer, Shorten and Duffy Lewis are in the navy. The score of yesterday's game follows:

R. H. E.

Boston Nationals 11 16 0

Brooklyn Nationals 1 4 2

Batteries: Bush, McCabe, Jaynes, Wyckoff and Agnew, Mayer, Helman, Platt, Krueger and Wheat.



VICTORIA LADIES KNOCK CHIP FROM CLUB'S SHOULDER

Up-Island All-Star Ladies Suffer at Hands of Presbyterians

"The invincible of invincibles" appears to be the only title applicable with any degree of accuracy to the ladies' basketball team of the First Presbyterian Church. Having carried terror to the hearts of all opponents in the Capital City this aggressive aggregation of the fair sex has, during the past few months, made numerous rallies to up-Island points, not by reason of any bombastic impulses of their own but merely to protect themselves against challenges issued by their sisters from inland burghs.

On Saturday the Presbyterians invaded Chemainus, where they met an all-star team of that community and Duncan. The contemplated result materialized and the locals returned home yesterday with another addition to their already long string of victories. The Up-Island All-Stars were rolled up and tucked away into one corner by the locals with a score of twenty-one points to seven. Considered solely from the stand of actual points the Victoria team certainly spilled the beans on their opponents but as indicative of their good sportsmanship, they gave the all-star bunch credit for putting up a fast and at periods a brilliant game.

"During part of the game those girls simply played all around us," said one member of the Victoria team discussing the match, "but somehow they seemed unable to find the basket." With all due respect to such generosity of sentiment Victorians will not forget the fact that the locals won by twenty-one points to seven. The logical inference is that if the all-stars played rings around the locals during a portion of the game, the locals did some tall whitewashing during the time that was left.

The stars of the Up-Island Club were Miss June Ventress and Mrs. Long, both of Chemainus, while for Victoria Miss Ruby Harkness did some brilliant work in checking the advance of the opposing forwards. The teams were as follows: Up-Island All-Stars—Centre, Ann Robertson (Duncan); forwards, Kate Robertson (Duncan); June Ventress (Chemainus); guards, Lottie Rutledge (Duncan), Mrs. Long (Chemainus); Presbyterians—Centre, Bee Briggs; forwards, Mary Hannan, Gay Pauley, guards, Bessie Harkness, Ruby Harkness; spare, Jean Taylor.

LAWN BOWLERS WILL INCREASE MEMBERSHIP

Annual Meeting of Local Club Held on Saturday Evening

At the annual meeting of the Victoria Lawn Bowling Club, held at the club-house, Beacon Hill, on Saturday evening, the following officers were elected: President, Hugh Ferguson; vice-president, D. W. Bates; secretary, treasurer, A. McKeachie. An executive committee will be appointed at a later date. It was decided to ask Mayor Todd to accept the office of honorary president. The financial statement for the year just closed was received with satisfaction, a small balance being shown after all obligations had been met.

The first task to which the club will direct its efforts is a vigorous campaign for new members, a special committee composed of Messrs. Webster, Bates and Burdick were appointed to organize for the move. The matter of increasing the membership was brought to a head after a letter had been read from the secretary of the British Columbia Lawn Bowling Association. He pointed out that in Vancouver conditions pointed to a prosperous season during 1918. The club, he said, had two greens completed, while two others were in the course of preparation, one at Kildale and the other in Stanley Park. The membership of the Vancouver Club was within four of its limit.

The Victoria Club sees no reason why bowling should not be as popular here as on the mainland. To this end it is the purpose of the members to inaugurate a thorough campaign to increase the roll. The secretary may be communicated with at 'phone 7641, or 164.

MEDICALS PLAYED DRAW GAME WITH INFANTRY ELEVEN

A week-end soccer match between the Canadian Army Medical Corps and Number Two Company of the 2nd Depot Battalion, played at the Willows Camp, resulted in a scoreless draw. The match was a fast exhibition, both teams playing fine ball. The Infantry eleven showed marked improvement over their form of the previous week. As a team the men played their best game of the season.

"At the end of the war there will be as many women doctors as men."—Dr. Jane Walker.

CRUSADERS WIN FROM THREE C'S QUINTETTE

Y. M. C. A. Basketballers Defeat Outlaws on Saturday Night

The Crusaders and Three C's basketball teams entered in active participation in the Senior League of the Sunday School Athletic Association on Saturday evening with the cyclone brand. The Crusaders won the night with nineteen points to their opponents eleven, the half-time score being ten to six. Beyond a doubt the match was the best which the league has produced. The players were in top condition and will develop into brilliant workers before the season is concluded. For the Three C's, Ramsell was high man with six points, while for the Crusaders A. Hole and J. Buckett netted eight each.

The teams were as follows: Crusaders—Arthur Hole, Eddie Fullerton, Jimmy Buckett, Jimmy Ferris and Harry Moulton.

Three C's—L. Ramsell, J. McKay, Gordie Young, F. Young and C. Engleish.

Following the league match a senior game (not a league match) was played between the Y. M. C. A. and the Outlaws. The teams were evenly matched, but the Y's proved the better shots, as indicated by the final score in their favor of thirty-two to twenty-five. The clubs lined up as follows:

Y. M. C. A.—Angus McKinnon, Archie McKinnon, Nuts, Smith, Grant, Outlaws—Millard, Forbes, Hay, Knott, Williscroft.

V. I. A. A. AND E. M. C. H. PLAY DRAW MATCH

Oak Bay Match Was Lively for First Ten Minutes of Play

The V. I. A. A. and the E. M. C. H. footballers battled to a draw of one goal all at Oak Bay on Saturday afternoon when the teams met in one of the Garrison Charity Cup games. The match was one of those affairs punctuated at intervals with verbal and fistic encounters. Such in fact was the enthusiasm in the present case that Referee Lockley was obliged on one occasion to demand the retirement of Moulton and Kroeger. This zeal on the part of the players developed in the first ten minutes, but the action of the referee acted as a distinct check.

During the first half the civilians certainly had the better of matters. It was here that they scored their lone tally while the hospital men failed to find the net at all; but with the advent of the final period the E. M. C. H. boys came back with considerable speed and evened matters by team play just a few minutes before the final whistle.

In the opening periods of the game the combination work of the fragments from France was conspicuous by its absence. Brown and Ferris, backs of the civilian team, were able to check every attempt. The V. I. A. A. on the other hand, while not having the play all their own way, had a distinct advantage. The one score of the period came from a free kick for hands, the ball bouncing off McAdam's head to find its way past Faulkner in goal.

With the opening of the second period the forwards of the civilian team slackened their pace and the returned boys pressed the goal at every point. Had it not been for the poor shooting of the soldiers they would have amassed a heavy score, the tally finally coming from Townsend. The final stages of the match exhibited some real play, but no additional scores were made.

The teams lined up as follows: V. I. A. A.—Goal, Holloway; backs, Ferris and Brown; halves, Lynn, Daniels and Moulton; forwards, Munro, Knight, Elliott, Hay and Baker. E. M. C. H.—Goal, Faulkner; backs, Gomm and McAdam; halves, Bruce, Pitts and Bowers; forwards, Kroeger, Mehies, Townsend, Bloom and Tipper. Referee, Lockley.

FOOTBALL SCORES IN OLD COUNTRY GAMES PLAYED AT WEEK-END

London, March 15.—The results of Saturday's football games are as follows:

London Combination.

Brentford, 0; Crystal Palace, 2.

Chelsea, 4; Arsenal, 2.

Clapton Orient, 0; Queen's Park Rangers, 1.

Millwall Athletic, 0; Fulham, 2.

Tottenham Hotspur, 1; West Ham United, 5.

Midland Section.

Barnsley, 3; Rotherham, 0.

Birmingham, 0; Notts Forest, 0.

Bradford City, 1; Bradford, 1.

Huddersfield, 4; Leeds, 2.

Hull, 4; Lincoln, 2.

Notts County, 5; Leicester Fosse, 1.

Sheffield United, 0; Sheffield Wednesday, 4.

Lancashire Section.

Blackpool, 1; Manchester City, 4.

Bolton Wanderers, 2; Everton, 1.

SEATTLE ALL-STARS DEFEATED SAILORS BY SCORE OF 9-4

Fiercest Soccer Battle at Sound City Seen in Years

Whether it was the water-soaked field or the fact of playing under a foreign flag, or any one of a thousand influences does not appear to be at all clear. One fact, however, cannot be ignored—the Navy was defeated when it met the all-star eleven of Seattle in the Sound City yesterday afternoon. On an oozy campus at Liberty Park the Americans defeated the sailor boys by a score of 9 goals to 4 in one of the fiercest soccer battles the city had seen for many years.

The opening play was all in favor of the Victoria team. Their short passing game developed steadily but the tactics of the sailors were well on the water-soaked field. Had conditions been dry the locals would have held their opponents to a draw, with a good possibility of carrying the day. The work of the sailors for a time had the edge on the Seattle men and it was not long before Davis had lodged the ball in the net, giving the Canadian boys the lead.

This success gave them confidence, and the Seattle defence was hard pressed holding the jolly tars at bay. From a breakaway Overton secured the equalizer, but Capt. Davis again put his team in the lead with a well placed shot that Traber failed to reach.

The Seattle men were slowly but surely rounding into a combination, and the closing minutes of play in the opening period was confined to the Canadians' territory, and before the whistle sounded for the interval the Seattle forwards had succeeded in piercing the defence twice for goals, McKillum being the scorer on both occasions.

Half-time—Seattle 3, Victoria 2.

Seattle Scores Again.

Shortly after resumption of play Bob McLean found the net with a long shot which seemed to completely take the sailors' goalies by surprise. This reverse did not seem to take "the wind out of their sails" and from the centre kick Cosier worked the ball down to Seattle's end, where he finished up his good work by beating Traber from close in.

After this goal the Navy tried hard to outwit Seattle, but their efforts met with only moderate success, and play was soon transferred to the other end, where McKillum put the result beyond a doubt when he fastened on to Horsley's cross and scored a beautiful goal. A good run by Overton resulted in Douglas scoring, and shortly after McKillum, the goal-getting star, secured another.

Owens Does Good Work.

Davis at the other end with a clever hook shot scored for the sailors. The closing play was in Seattle's favor, and Douglas and Owens each registered goals before the finish.

The Navy was best served by Cawthorne, Jenkins, Davis and Stewart. The visitors were taken all over Seattle in automobiles donated by the Dodge Motor Company. The party was chaperoned by Private Noble, of the Canadian forces; Harry Jackman, Northwest Soccer Association secretary, and Jack Turner, a well-known figure in Seattle sporting circles.

The Line-Up.

Seattle team—Traber, McGrath, Daly, Owens, Weir (captain), R. McLean, J. McLean, Douglas, Overton, McKillum, Horsley.

H. M. S. Rainbow team—Jasper, Cawthorne, Butler, Brynjolfson, Jenkins, Walters, Hillier, Main, Davis (captain), Stewart, Cosier.

LOCAL TEAM WINS CHALLENGE TROPHY

Victoria Preparatory School Defeats Shawnigan Lake Eleven

On Saturday the Victoria Preparatory School defeated the Shawnigan Lake School by four goals to nil in the final game of the Preparatory School Association football challenge cup, presented by Ross Wilson.

In the first half the Preparatory School did all the pressing and owing to good combination scored four times. Carter at centre forward was always dangerous, scoring twice by brilliant individual runs, and before the end of the first period Lee broke away twice, finding the net on each occasion.

With the resumption of play in the second half the Shawnigan Lake team showed decidedly better form, holding their heavier opponents in check during the entire period. Three or four times the Preparatory School boys broke away but failed to score.

The Shawnigan Lake team showed itself to be well balanced and with consistent practice will develop into an eleven difficult to beat.

Following the match the cup was presented by Mrs. Lonsdale before a good representation of parents of the schools which competed for the trophy. The members of the winning team were also the recipients of medals presented by M. L. A. Lange.

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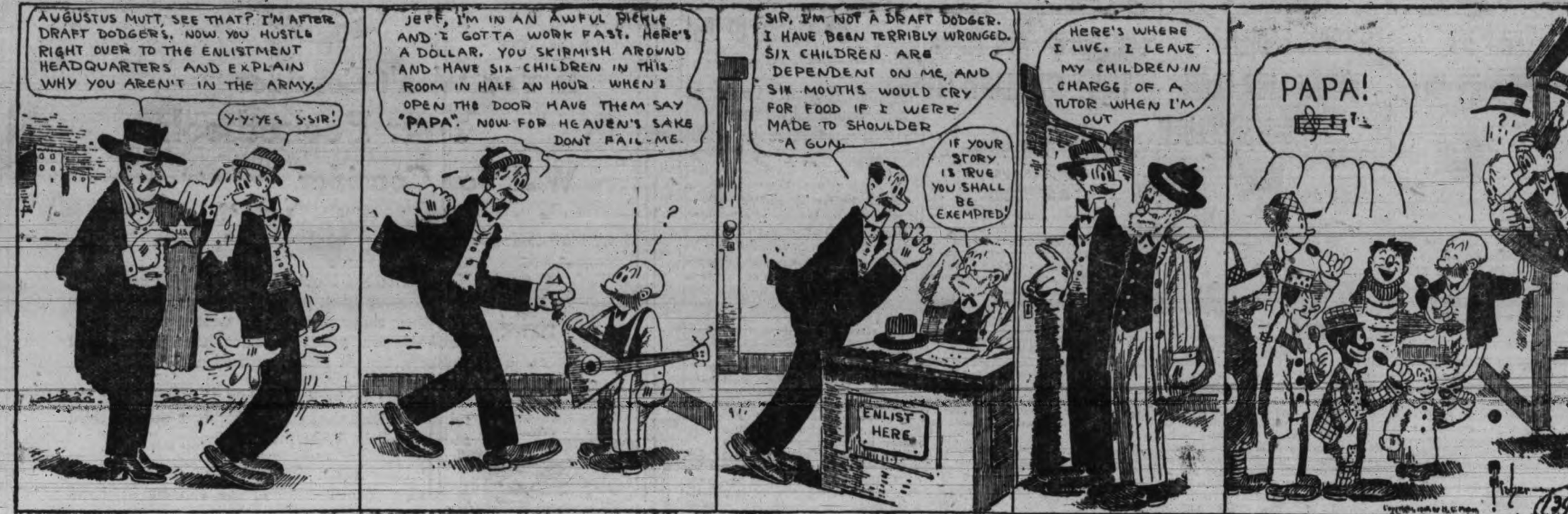
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BRUNSWICK HOTEL—2c. night and up. 8 weekly and up; best location, first-class, no bar, few housekeeping rooms. Yates and Douglas. m23-3

HOTELS

Westholme Grill and Bar. Closed Permanently. m23-3

WESTHOLME HOTEL. European plan; thoroughly renovated; under new management. We will appreciate your support. m23-3

BALMORAL HOTEL—Newly renovated. Rooms, \$10 per month up. A. Bealmer, prop. m23-3

AUTO LIVERY

RONALD AUTO LIVERY now open for business; cars without drivers to responsible people. 731 Broughton Street. Phone 365. m23-3

NEW ENGLISH CYCLES just received. Pimley's Cycle Store, 611 View Street. m23-3

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

WE PURCHASE FOR CASH. WE SELL ON COMMISSION.

For cash for all kinds of household furniture and effects. We sell all kinds of goods on commission and make prompt returns. We make valuations and give estimates. Auction sales arranged. All business strictly confidential. Agents for best dry fir and mill wood. Satisfaction guaranteed in every particular.

FERRIERE SALE & COMMISSION HOUSE. Phone 1879. 1419 Douglas St. m23-3

FOR SALE—Powerful field glass, \$12.50; large coil box, \$5; Rosa rifle, \$20; shot-gun, \$25 gauge, \$12.50; parrot cage, \$2.50; trunk, \$2.50; Royal automatic, \$12.50; tool, \$2.50; English hall marked gold chain, \$10.50; mandolin, \$2.50; Masonic ring, \$4.50; solid gold wrist watch, \$20; Indian motor cycle, \$25; Yale motor cycle, \$35; New Hudson motor cycle, \$15; modern bicycle electric lamp, \$2.50; brass curtain rods, with brackets, \$2.50; complete vaudeville act, with stage settings, wardrobe, etc., \$25; bicycles, with new tires and mudguards, \$12.50; tires, outer, from \$2.50; inner tubes, \$1.50; modern bicycle electric lamp, \$2.50; oil lamps, \$1.50; playing cards, \$1.50; a pack of 3 for \$2.50; carpenter's pencils, \$1.50; modern bicycle electric lamp, \$2.50; hand store, 572 Johnson St. Phone 1767. m23-3

CITY MART, 726 Port Street. If you are looking for bargains in second-hand furniture, carpets, etc., call and inspect our prices. Wanted to buy furniture of all descriptions. Phone 1133. m23-3

SOUTHALL, for stoves and ranges. \$22.50. Colis made and connected. exchanges made. Phone 423. m23-3

A VICTORIA AND RECORDS for sale at a snap. 726 Port Street. m23-3

UMBRELLA WORKS—Umbrellas repaired and re-covered neatly and quickly at reasonable prices. 627 Port Street. Phone 468. m23-3

THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS equity in four acres best land, Victoria suburb, modern bungalow, same value, good locality, city. Box 708, Times. m23-3

SEALED TENDERS will be received up to 3:30 p.m. on Friday, March 22, 1918, for logging camp equipment of John Temple Estate, located at Port Renfrew, Vancouver Island. Inventory of effects may be had on application to D. W. Campbell, assignee, Moody Block, Victoria, B.C. m23-3

GO TO FAWCETT'S for pure drugs. m23-3

FOR SALE—Upright piano, cheap, \$35 monthly. 1626 Rockland Ave. m23-3

FIVE H.P. Leyland marine engine, with shaft, propeller, tank and complete set of fittings, no clutch; this engine has never been used; lowest cash price. \$235.00. 2222 Milne Ave., Fowl Bay, or Causeway Boat House. m23-3

MODERN DANCING properly taught. Phone 2101. m23-3

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COMING EVENTS

FOR THAT COLD LUNCH. COOPER'S BOMBAY CHUTNEY.

IT ISN'T SO MUCH THREE acres and a cow a man plans for nowadays as three Harveys and a fortune. Casack Printing Co., 53 Courtney Street. Phone 239. m23-3

THE MANAGEMENT of the Hippodrome Hall are holding a long social evening Wednesday, March 20th, 9 o'clock. Refreshments. m23-3

HIPPODROME DANCING HALL—Public dances every Wednesday and Saturday evening. Under management Mrs. Simpson, View and Blanchard Sts. m23-3

THE DAUGHTERS OF ST. GEORGE will hold a whist drive on Monday 18th, in the K. M. C. Hall, Port St. at 8:15. Prizes of flour, sugar and tea and a sealed prize of a small ham. Admission 5c. For solitaires and sailors' comforts. m23-3

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH LADIES' AID will give a St. Patrick's tea and sale of home cooking on Wednesday, March 20, at 2 o'clock. Programme of music. m23-3

MILITARY 500, Thursday, 21st, 8:15 p.m. Parties may make up their own tables. Odd Fellows' small hall. m23-3

FREE LECTURE, ILLUSTRATED by lantern slides, by Dr. Ernest Hall, at the Schoolroom, First Presbyterian Church, Tuesday, 19th, 8 p.m. March 19th, 8 p.m. on "The Devil and His Deeds" on "The Devil and His Deeds". The public are earnestly invited. m23-3

QUEEN CITY SERVICE CLUB will give a military five hundred on March 19th, at P. Hall, North Park St., for 20c. Tickets, 25c. Tickets may be had from the members. m23-3

CIVIC RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION—All members are urged to meet at 10:15 a. m. on Tuesday, March 19, beneath the dome ground floor, Parliament Building, for a committee to join with representatives of Provincial bodies to urge upon the Government an enlarged scope of civil taxation. m23-3

UNITARIAN CHURCH—Next Sunday, 17th, W. W. Baer continues course in Psychology; subject, "The Nature of the Soul." m23-3

WOMEN'S CANADIAN CLUB meeting, Tuesday, March 19, 7 p.m. C. A. parlors. 2:15 p.m. Speaker, Dr. H. Ashton. Subject, "The University and Literature." m23-3

HUMMAGE SALE by St. Mary's Guild, Oak Bay, Thursday afternoon, March 21, 2:30 Port Street. m23-3

ALL-FLY SKATING RINKS CLOSE—After 5 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, the rink is using Tonifoon. It kills danger. m23-3

MADAME MONGIN-SANDESON lectures Thursday at 8 o'clock at the Unitarian Church, subject, "Flashlights on French History." Lecture view, 12th, mission 25c, children, 15c. m23-3

CAMOSUN CHAPTER—Monthly meeting, Wednesday, 20th, at 2:15. m23-3

THE VOLUNTARY SERVICE will hold a dance at the Sailors' Club, Esquimalt, Broad, Saturday, 23rd, 8:30 to 11:30. Sailors and soldiers' comforts. Admission 25c. m23-3

VICTORIA EVANGELISTIC MOVIE—HALL 77 COURTNEY STREET. Tuesday, March 19, 4 p.m., boys' supper; 7 p.m., boys' meeting, when Mr. Euston will continue his missionary talk on China; 7 p.m., Bible study. Thursday, 21st, 7 p.m., girls' supper; 7 p.m., Bible talk, speaker, Mr. Hayle, lady missionary, from Spain. Bring your Bible, Oliver hymn book and a friend with you. m23-3

NEXT REGULAR MEETING of the Shipyard Laborers, Riggers and Painters' Local, 284, Spring 4, Rabbits, 6 p.m. Important business, all members requested to attend. m23-3

DANCING TAUGHT privately. Phone 2101. m23-3

LIVESTOCK

FOR SALE—One bay mare, 9 years; good for team or single; quick sale. Uthman Singh, 1134 Hillside. m23-3

LET THE FARMER keep pigs and you keep rabbits. Send 10c. for copy of P. P. P. Contains useful article each month. Rabbit and poultry books kept in stock. 521 Yates. m23-3

FOR IMMEDIATE SALE—Holstein and grade cows, heavy milkers. Apply Braefoot Farm, R. F. D. 4. m23-3

TONIFOON kills dandruff and livestock in the hair. Cleans and gives hair. m23-3

FOR SALE—Pure bred Belgian hares, New Zealand, all sizes, specially good breed. Stock, 284, Spring 4, Rabbits, 6 p.m. Holmes Street, Quadra. Mail R.M.D. 4. Phone 51761. Sundays excepted. m23-3

WANTED—Any quantity chickens or ducks, cash paid at your house. Phone 5016, or write 65 Elliott Street, City. m23-3

HOUSES WANTED

WANTED—To rent, for six months, shack or small cottage on near beach, cheap. Phone 4741. m23-3

WANTED TO RENT—A 4 or 5 roomed house, must be in good locality and near town. Apply Box 726, Times. m23-3

WANTED TO RENT—A modern, fully or partly furnished cottage or bungalow, must be in good locality and near town. Apply Box 726, Times. m23-3

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MOTOR CYCLES AND CYCLES

"VICTORIA BRAND" SEVILLE ORANGE MARMALADE IS THE BEST.

GET YOUR CYCLE put in order for spring riding. We have good men who will give you a good job. If you need a new machine, see our Massey Silver Ribbon. Pimley's Cycle Store, 611 View Street. m23-3

COME IN and see the famous Royal Crown and gentry bicycles just arrived. \$45 cash, or sold on the easy payment plan. We also have 30 ladies and gents' second-hand bicycles in stock at your own price. The Victoria Cycle Works, 574 Johnson Street. Phone 2348. m23-3

CHEAPEST STORE in town for your bicycle repairs and supplies. Motor cycle, bicycle and supply store, 851 Yates Street. m23-3

A BIG SHIPMENT of new bicycles to hand. See the Overland at 140; Brantford from \$20 up. Ruffin, the cycle man, 740 Yates. Phone 822. m23-3

DON'T FORGET to bring your films to Kodak for developing. Kodak, 904-906 Yates (next Princess Theatre). m23-3

WHEN YOU BUY a "Brantford" you get a bicycle, not something camouflaged to hide defects. Ruffin, the cycle man, 740 Yates. Phone 822. m23-3

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Large Size Economical

And burns with a brightness. Our WELLINGTON is the Island's best. We will appreciate your order and you will be pleased with our coal.

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1232 Government Street Phone 33

Watch Your Boy



Notice if he holds his book too near or too far away from his face. Perhaps he appears dull or suffers from headache—in any case, bring him to me, I will tell you what the trouble is.

Frank Clugston

Optician.
1241 Broad St. Phone 5351

SIX JAPANESE WERE KILLED IN SIBERIA

Washington, March 14.—State Department dispatches to-day from Peking put the number of Japanese killed in fighting at Blagoveshchensk, Siberia, at six and the wounded at two. Press dispatches from Holsheviks at 150, although later reports from Tientsin from London gave the number as three.

LEGAL AND OFFICIAL NOTICES



NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Public School Desks.
SEALED TENDERS, superscribed "Tenders for School Desks," will be received by the undersigned up to 12 noon of Wednesday, 27th day of March, 1918, for supplying the following desks:
Single Desks..... 350
Size No. 2..... 350
Size No. 3..... 350
Size No. 4..... 350
The desks are to be quoted at a price per desk.
The name of the desk-maker to be mentioned in tenders.
Delivery at Victoria or Vancouver on or before 31st day of July next.
The successful tenderer will, free of any additional charges, store the desks and pack or crate ready for shipment to order to places to be hereafter designated from time to time.
No tender will be entertained unless accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank of Canada, payable to the Honorable the Minister of Finance, or by cash, in the amount of two hundred dollars (\$200), which will be forfeited if the party tendering declines to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the contract.
Cheques of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned upon signing of contract.
The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
JAMES PATTERSON,
Purchasing Agent.
Victoria, B. C., March 13, 1918. mh14

LAND REGISTRY ACT.

Notice Under Section 39.
TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register Elsie Munro as the owner in Fee-simple, under a Tax Sale Deed from the Victoria Land Office, of the Township of Esquimalt, bearing date the 25th day of November, A.D. 1917, in pursuance of a Tax Sale held by said Collector on or about the 1st day of September, 1916, of all and singular certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the District of Esquimalt, in the Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as Lot 9, of part of Suburban Lot 51, Map 61A.
You and those claiming through or under you, and all persons claiming any interest in the said land, on or before the 15th day of April, 1918, are required to cause the claim of the Collector of the Township of Esquimalt, to be registered within 30 days of the date of this notice upon you. Otherwise you and each of you will be deemed to have acquiesced in the sale of the land, and I shall register the said Elsie Munro as owner in Fee.
I direct that service of this notice may be made by publication in the Victoria Daily Times twelve consecutive issues.
Dated at the Land Registry Office, at the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 26th day of November, A.D. 1917.
J. C. GWYNN,
Registrar-General.
To G. H. Stewart Esq.,
Assessed Owner.

ESQUIMALT DOG TAX.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above Tax is due and payable at the Municipal Office, Esquimalt, on or before the 1st day of March, 1918. Owners who have failed to pay by the above date are liable to legal proceedings without further notice.
G. H. PULLEN,
Treasurer.
Esquimalt, March 14th, 1918.

GERMANS CONTINUE TO MOVE FORWARD IN ODESSA REGION

London, March 13.—German troops have occupied Nikoliev, in addition to Odessa, according to a Reuter dispatch from Petrograd, dated March 13. Both Odessa and Nikoliev were taken without fighting. The fleet at Odessa had fled to Sebastopol. The Germans immediately surrounded the soviet in both cities and seized the naval yards at Nikoliev.
The German advance continues in the direction of Kherzon.
The first train direct from Berlin arrived in Odessa on Saturday.

TROTSKY NOW HEADS PETROGRAD COMMUNE

Washington, March 13.—Ambassador Francis to-day confirmed press dispatches that Leon Trotsky, former Bolshevik Foreign Minister, had placed himself at the head of a Commune at Petrograd. The Ambassador referred to the "Communists" as a new name for the Bolsheviks in Petrograd.
Trotsky is now known as the Commissary of the Commune.

RAILS UNDER WATER.

Calgary, March 13.—Due to rapidly melting snows, about a quarter of a mile of the C. P. R. main line east of Dunmore Junction, Alta., is under water, and all trains are being handled over it slowly by signal. Attempts are being made to strengthen the line, but in case it becomes impassable trains will be diverted to the Bassano-Swift Current line.

TWO EXPLOSIONS IN SUBURB OF PARIS

Thirty Lost Lives When Munition Factory Was Destroyed Accidentally

Paris, March 13.—Delayed.—Two very violent explosions to-day in a factory at La Courneuve, north of Paris, caused the deaths of sixteen persons and the injury of a large number, mostly slightly, according to an official announcement made to-night.
Later it was said that the number of dead was thirty.

General Dubail, the Military Governor of Paris, has ordered an investigation of the accident. The causes of the explosions have not yet been determined clearly. La Courneuve is seven kilometres from the Cathedral of Notre Dame in the direction of St. Denis.

Firemen were unable to approach the burning factory nearer than 500 metres. Survivors declared that the accident was due to a man dropping a box of grenades. Most of the workmen, perceiving the danger, took to their heels and escaped with more or less severe injuries.

Buildings Blown Down.
All roofs and windows within a radius of miles of the building were demolished, while buildings collapsed like houses of cards from the violence of the explosion. In every quarter of Paris windows were shattered and furniture overturned. In a public school at Aubervilliers there was a panic and four girls died from fright.

Nearly 1,000 persons are shelterless as the result of damage to their homes. The American Red Cross, co-operating with the prefecture of the Seine and the local authorities, is providing for them.

MAKING PLANS FOR USE OF DUTCH SHIPS

Officials at Washington Preparing; Holland's Reply Awaited in States

Washington, March 13.—Plans for operation of the Dutch ships which will be acquired by the United States and Great Britain, either by voluntary agreement or by requisition, were going forward steadily to-day while the Governments awaited the reply of Holland to the demand that she accede to the terms of the contract or suffer seizure of all her tonnage in American and British waters.

Holland's reply, which has been dispatched to London, is expected by officials here to conclude the negotiations here to-day. Seizure of the ships in American waters will be delayed, however, until the reply is received here, which may not be until tomorrow.

Operation of the ships will be under control of the Shipping Board. It is understood that most of them will be used under the American flag and adequately armed to carry food through the war zone to the Allies.

TIRPITZ'S IDEA.

London, March 13.—If we continue the U boat war without flinching we can secure a peace with England which will insure for Germany's navy a base off the Flemish coast for many years. Admiral von Tirpitz is quoted as declaring in a recent telegram.

DEFENDING TROPHY.

Montreal, March 13.—By defeating McGill at the Jubilee Rink here on Saturday night by a score of seven to three, Hochelaga, champions of the Montreal Amateur Hockey League, successfully defended the Art Ross trophy for the second time since attaining possession of it. Hochelaga won the trophy from the Sons of Ireland, of Quebec, which club had held it for two years.

BOAT POSTPONED.

Atlanta, Ga., March 13.—Because of a conflict in dates of boats by Jack Dempsey, his match with Gunboat Smith, which was to have been held March 25, has been postponed to an unannounced date. Local promoters said last night that the bout might be held in April.

QUITE AN EASY JOB.

Sandy McTavish was sent to an outpatient to observe any move of the enemy. Armed with his rifle and a few bombs he took his lonely stand.
Suddenly he noticed in the darkness the approach of an enemy scouting party. He opened fire. The enemy charged. Emptying his rifle, he then flung a few bombs.

Believing themselves facing a substantial entrenched force the attackers retreated, leaving eleven dead in the field. McTavish was awarded the D. C. M. for bravery.
The commanding officer concluded his brief address with, "And a good day's work it was!"
"Na, na, sir," remarked the gallant Scot. "It wasna a 'hale day, it didna tak' me nae mair than twenty minutes!"—TIT-BITS.

Permanence of potash is excellent for cleaning dirty filters of all impurities. A solution should be passed through the filter until it comes out a pink as when it was poured in.

S. African Returned Men Against Return of Enemy Colonies

London, March 13.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—At a conference of the Returned Soldiers' Associations representative of the whole of South Africa, held at Bloemfontein, a resolution against the return of her lost colonies to Germany was unanimously passed.

BAKHMETEFF WILL CONTINUE TO AID ALLIES IN CONTEST

Washington, March 13.—Russia's acceptance of the German peace terms was denounced here to-day by Boris Bakhmeteff, the Russian Ambassador to the United States, who last November, formally repudiated the Bolshevik Government.

The conditions imposed by Germany, the Ambassador declared, threaten the existence and importance of the country. The Embassy here, he added, would continue to advocate co-operation with the Allies in the war on Germany.

TROOPS OF GOVERNOR OF MUKDEN PROVINCE ARE AT PEKING NOW

Peking, March 17.—The advance guard of Governor Chang Sou Lin, of Mukden Province, has arrived at Peking, outside Peking, and is making preparations to establish a camp in the Temple of Heaven. The exodus of Chinese from Peking continues.

The Temple of Heaven stands near the south gate of the outer city of Peking. It is surrounded by walls which are three miles in circumference. In past years the Emperor personally visited the temple to offer prayers to Shang Ti, the supreme God, on stated occasions at times of drought and famine.

FINNISH COUNCIL WOULD COMPROMISE WITH THE GERMANS

Petrograd, March 13.—Delayed.—The Finnish Council is prepared to arrange a compromise with the Germans. It is said the Germans have demanded the disarmament of the Red Guard.

The wife of Grand Duke Michael has requested permission to follow her husband into exile.

U BOAT SEIZED SHIP WHICH CARRIED SAFE CONDUCT FROM BERLIN

London, March 13.—The Belgian Relief Commission says that the Swedish ship Princess Ingeborg, which was captured last week off the Jutland coast by a submarine and taken to Germany, unloaded her cargo of grain, and was proceeding back to Sweden with German safe conduct when seized. It was at first reported that the vessel was on her way to Rotterdam when the cargo was seized.

GOOD WORK DONE BY ITALIAN PATROLS

Rome, March 13.—The War Office here reported to-day:
"The artillery duels were livelier in the Lagarina Valley, in the Montello area and south of Zenson. Enemy parties were dispersed on the bank of the Piave by our machine guns. Our patrols destroyed enemy works in the Giudicaria Valley, caused alarm in enemy positions in the Laga Basin, and captured war material in the coastal region."

"Five enemy aeroplanes were brought down by our aviators."

RUSSIAN MEDALS TO TWO MORE CANADIANS

Toronto, March 17.—Albert Equabale, who enlisted with the 121st Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force, in 1915, on Saturday was presented with the Russian Order of St. George by Lieutenant-Governor Sir John Hendrie, at the Orthopaedic Hospital here. During a terrific bombardment in 1917 he volunteered to mount sentry on the firing step of his trench parapet, while comrades who previously had done this duty lay dead at his feet. He came through safely, minus a leg, and for this heroic work he was decorated with the Russian Order.

Pte. William Brigham, of English descent, who enlisted in Winnipeg, in January, 1915, also was awarded the Russian medal. He kept carrying munitions up the line at Courcellette until at last he received a wound which eventually necessitated the amputation of his foot above the ankle.

OUT OF DANGER.

Murrayville, B. C., March 13.—A. McPhee, who was seriously injured in a collision on Saturday afternoon between an automobile he was driving and a Great Northern freight train near here, was reported to be out of danger to-day by Dr. A. McBurney, of Langley Fort, who is attending the injured man.

An inquest has been called by Dr. McBurney upon the body of Henry J. Smith, of Seattle, and a member of the American Red Cross. Mr. Smith was in the car with McPhee at the time of the accident, and died a few minutes after the collision.

NAPLES WAS BOMBED BUT ROME WAS NOT

Austrian Airmen Passed Near Italian Capital but Did Not Attack

Rome, March 13.—The Austrian aviators who made the raid on Naples a few days ago set forth from Capua. On their return voyage they passed near Rome, but dropped no bombs. The residents of Rome were instructed to remain within doors with all lights out.

At the Vatican the opinion was expressed that Rome would never be bombed owing to the presence of the Pope.

The lighting plant at the Vatican remained in operation and the lights in the Pope's apartments were not out, although it was agreed later that in the event of future raids the current would be cut off.

Capua, a Dalmatian port, is 350 miles from Naples, so that the Austrian bombers, taking a roundabout course on the way home and flying for miles over Italian territory, made a journey considerably over 700 miles, the longest of raiding flights reported in connection with the war. A Naples dispatch said the raid was carried out by a dirigible balloon which dropped bombs at random over the city. Sixteen persons were killed and forty wounded.

EVENT IN VANCOUVER FOR THE "ORIGINALS"

Welcome Probably Will Be Accorded Men Coming on Furlough

Vancouver, March 13.—It is likely that this city will hold some special entertainment in honor of the Vancouver soldiers of the First Canadian Contingent who are returning on furlough after having served at the front for over three years.

Toronto, March 13.—Of the 395 married men of the First Canadian Contingent who have reached Halifax on St. John, N. B., on their way to their homes on furlough for three months, thirty-five from the Kingston-Ottawa district and forty-four from London. The others are from various other districts east and west.

A V. C. Hero.

St. John, N. B., March 13.—Among the returned soldiers who arrived here Sunday was Captain H. Strachan, V. C., M. C., of Chauvin, Alta., who won his decorations with the Fort Garry Horse. Strachan is a six-footer who claims Scotland as the land of his birth. He enlisted with the Fort Garry Horse. He had not been at the front many months before his constant gallantry under fire was noticed by his superiors and he was decorated with the Military Cross.

It was in the Cambrai sector that the big opportunity came. The British made an advance and Strachan was sent at the head of a cavalry squadron to pierce the German lines. The charge was made and before Strachan realized the progress he had made he was not less than eight miles behind the German front line. Here he was in enemy country, surrounded by several army corps, with forty men, many of whom were badly wounded. There was but one of two things to do—try to get back or surrender. Strachan wheeled his horse and at the head of his men began to hack his way through eight miles of German soldiery, back to the British lines.

Indescribable.
"I will never be able to describe our experience," said Strachan when speaking of the incident. "It was 'some' fighting and we did not all get back."

"Yes, we went in mounted, but we did not all return mounted or any of us. Those who were fortunate enough, reached our lines on foot and the remainder of us crawled in on our stomachs, too weak from wounds to walk."

JINGLE POT MINE TO BE PUMPED OUT

Nanaimo, March 13.—An attempt was made Saturday to reopen the Jingle Pot mine, which was sealed up some three months ago on account of an outbreak of fire. It was found on breaking through the first stopping, however, that a large quantity of water had gathered in the stopes, and further progress was barred. Pumps will be started immediately, but it is estimated that it will take three weeks to pump the water out. Apart from the water, all the other conditions are favorable, and Manager Freeman is very hopeful that as soon as the water is pumped out he will be able to resume operations.

When once moths have got into a carpet neither camphor nor tobacco will stop them. The only way is to take a damp towel, spread it out upon the carpet, and iron it dry with a hot iron. Most ironing should be done in those portions of the carpet that do not take the chief wear of the room. The heat and steam will be found to destroy the worms and eggs.

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WAVE OF LIQUIDATION IN NEW YORK STOCKS

Weakness in the Market Was General at Session To-day

(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)
New York, March 13.—The stock market here opened this morning at fractionally higher prices than last week's close. The first hour's trading was light and with general small gains. Feeling of pessimism overspread the market when a report was heard that the Dutch Government had taken the side of Germany. There was no confirmation of this up to the close of the market, but liquidation had set in and was not checked at the end of the day. All classes shared in the general decline.

MONTREAL STOCKS

(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)
Ames Holden, pref. 47 A
Bell Telephone 133 1/2
Brazilian Traction 37 1/2
B. C. Fish 48 A
Can. Cement pfd. 91 1/2
Can. Car. Pdy. com. 25 1/2
Do. pfd. 61 1/2
Can. S. S. com. 75 1/2
Can. Locomotive 102 B
Civ. Inv. & Ind. 74 1/2
Cons. M. & S. 25 A
Do. 1. & S. 61 1/2
Dom. Textile 94 1/2
Lake of Woods Milling 130 1/2
Lawrenceville Co. 34 1/2
Maple Leaf Milling 129 A
MacDonald Co. 12 1/2
Mackay Co. 78 A
N. S. Steel, com. 69 1/2
Oshawa Milling Co. 159 B
Penns. Ltd. 74 1/2
Quebec Railway 16 1/2
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Steel of Can. 58 1/2
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Toronto Ry. 60 A
Winnipeg Elec. 48 1/2
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TO-DAY'S TRADING ON WINNIPEG MARKET

Winnipeg, March 13.—In the cash market to-day the demand for oats was good. Barley was weak and slow and flax was quiet. Spreads for oats were unchanged to a better, and despite the erratic futures market the demand held good. Barley prices were lower and buyers keeping out of the market, with prices weakening rapidly. Cash flax prices are going lower in sympathy with the Duluth market. Barley closed 4 1/2 lower for May. Flax closed 1/2 lower for May and 1/2 lower for July. Oats futures closed 1/2 higher for May and 1/2 higher for July.
Oats—Open High Low Close
May 90 1/2 91 3/4 90 3/4 90 3/4
July 92 1/2 93 1/4 92 1/4 92 1/4
Barley—
May 186 1/2 187 1/4 186 1/4 186 1/4
Flax—
May 385 386 385 385
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Cash prices: Oats—2 C. W. 55 1/2; 3 C. W. 55 1/2; extra 1 feed, 90 1/2; 1 feed, 88 1/2; 2 feed, 88 1/2.
Barley—No. 1, 1917; No. 4, 177 1/2; rejected, 154 1/2.
Flax—1 N. W. C. 32 1/2; 2 C. W. 37 1/2; 3 C. W. 39 1/2.

NEW YORK BOND MARKET.

(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)
Atchafalpa, Topeka Gen. 90 1/2
B. & O. 1st Gold 81 1/2
B. & O. 2nd Gold 79 1/2
Central Pac. 1st 91 1/2
C. & N. W. 1st 91 1/2
C. & N. W. 2nd 89 1/2
C. & N. W. 3rd 87 1/2
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TEN PER CENT. NOT PART OF AWARD SAYS BUTCHART

Laborers Should Get Advance But It Should Not Be Paid by Imperial Munitions Board; All Sorts of People Apply for Contracts

"We claim that the ten per cent. increase is not part and parcel with the Adjustment Board's award," declared R. P. Butchart, at the conclusion of this morning's session of the Board of Inquiry regarding the shipyard wages dispute. Leading up to it was the remark, by the witness, that, if he had made a statement "off his own bat" to the effect that he and Capt. Troup could not agree to any decision of the Adjustment Board, he did not see why any such statement should be binding on the Munitions Board.

"We stand on the point that the ten per cent. should be paid by others than ourselves," also stated Mr. Butchart. "I think," he added, "that the wages of shipyard laborers should be increased on account of the increased cost of living, but the Board cannot institute any advances. That must come from some other source."

It also transpired this morning that the "fixed-profit" basis adopted showed a profit of \$16,000 per hull, with all costs of material being paid by the Board. The matter of alleged "assurances on the street" as to the manner of selection of the people who got contracts was also brought up by the chairman, the major part of the session being occupied with Mr. Butchart's statement of the "other side" of the ten per cent. question.

Original Letters. Duncan McCallum, president of the B. C. Federation of Labor, Vancouver, opened the session by handing in various original letters, after which he intimated they would proceed with the laborers' situation, and called on W. H. Hardy, business agent for the shipyard laborers, Vancouver, who said he wished to point out the reasons they asked for \$4 a day, a rate which would affect probably 500 men. At the suggestion of the chairman, however, it was decided to take the other side of the ten per cent. question. R. P. Butchart, being accordingly called.

Mr. Butchart's Evidence. Mr. Butchart started from the beginning, handing in a long written statement which was read by the chairman. At the time he and Capt. Troup were appointed for the Munitions Board certain contracts for wooden ships had been made. They realized it would not be right to pay either higher or lower wages than those prevailing on the coast, and decided to apply the Wallace shipyard rates, to go into effect July 1. After recounting various preliminaries at the time, it was mentioned that, although good average wages were being paid, dissatisfaction nevertheless was found to exist, and a fresh scale was introduced, under which carpenters were to get \$6 a day, and house-carpenters \$4.50 until they had served three months in the shops.

To Take Advantage. "Should we meet the ten per cent. It would have the result of bringing all yards to a level," went on the statement, and he continued, "It was found that labor across the line was determined to take every advantage of war time conditions—which was deplorable. The contracts for the ships had been let on a fixed-profit basis, said Mr. Butchart. The price of \$16,000 per hull being the seven per cent. profit, the contractors providing a manager. With regard to all material, the cost of this was paid by the Board, who did all the buying, while the contractors were supposed to employ all the labor.

Appointment of Overseers. "I want to get at that," said the chairman, "because there is complaint as to some of the overseers being overpaid." Direct positions filled by himself and Capt. Troup in the yards included inspectors, store-keepers, time-keepers, and men to look into machinery equipment. "There is a happy rivalry in all the yards to build at the lowest cost, all wanting best equipment. He and Capt. Troup had nothing to do with the appointment of overseers." By Commissioner Tonkin: "Did you understand you were to follow any award the Adjustment Board brought down?"

"We agreed to that award but did not agree to follow the Adjustment Board all through," said witness. As to words "under protest," he understood, he told the chairman, that the men agreed to abide at work until after the decision was rendered. A Bolt From the Blue. "Was any knowledge conveyed to you that steps were being taken on the other side to alter it?" "No." "A bolt from the blue?" "Yes."

All Vancouver contracts were carried out on the same basis," added witness, who also said there was a clause in the contract allowing \$200 for every day hulls were completed ahead of time.

At the request of R. P. Butchart, Capt. J. W. Troup was then called and questioned as to the bonus. It was clearly to be seen that some of the contractors, said Capt. Troup, would be completed ahead of time. The Munitions Board, however, was very insistent that the bonus clause should be put in the agreement to speed-up the work. Mr. Butchart, on finding it was going to be considerable additional cost on ships, commenced to negotiate with the contractors, asking them to waive the bonus, and persuaded them to do so.

"On the Street." Chairman Murphy then asked R. P. Butchart a question which, he said, witness need not answer if he did not want to do so. "There have," said Chairman Murphy, "been assertions on the street as to the manner of the selection of the people who got those contracts. Do you want to say anything about that? Did you have applications from people

with whom you did not make arrangements?" The witness went on to explain that contracts were proposed for ten completed ships from the Foundation Company at \$40,000 for each ship. The Board demurred and the firm was put on the same basis as the others. The contract, said the witness, was very nicely with the Board.

Economical Method. Contractors in B. C., said witness, found it economical to give contracts to firms who could supply a certain amount of equipment, for which the Board would only pay depreciation charge. Contracts were given the Wallace, Cameron-Genoa and Coquitlam yards, and also to the New Westminster yard.

"Did you create any yard at all?" asked the chairman. "We extended and equipped yards," returned witness, and I do not think anyone can say that the contracts have not been well placed. The Board had utilized and expanded all existing yards in B. C. "You did not create any yard of your own?"

Witness explained that the Western Canada was entirely new, and, he agreed with the chairman, it combined all the four yards. The Foundation Company, he said, had five ships, Cameron-Genoa four, Coquitlam two, Westminster four, Western Canada six and Lyell Company six.

"Did you have applications from other parties who wanted contracts?" "We had a great many," replied witness, "and from all kinds of people."

"It looked pretty attractive," suggested the chairman. "Yes," agreed witness.

Many Applications. The chairman, observing it had been suggested there had been differentiation, and mentioning that the only company that was not operating before was the Western Canada, asked witness did the others have any large equipment which could be utilized, and whether they were in a position to be of assistance. Mr. Butchart replied that some were, and some were not. Included in the applications was one from a company in which Sir Wm. Mackenzie and Sir Donald Mann were interested. But at that time, he agreed with the chairman, their limit had been reached.

Answering Mr. McCallum, who was inquiring as to the "under protest" phase, witness agreed that a deputa- tion visited him in November and made representations on the subject, but he did not recollect being then told that there was an appeal from the Macy Board. He recalled making arrangements on the subject of the cost of living, not definitely, but with the intention that the matter would be taken into consideration every three months.

Strong Protests. It was correct, stated witness, that in negotiating away back the understanding was that wages agreed to would be accepted here, but after that the Commission in Washington was formed it was agreed that the award of that commission superseded and cancelled everything. Witness added that he received a very strong protest from private concerns on the subject of the bonus.

"Do you," asked the chairman, "feel at liberty to say who they were?" Mr. Butchart stated the Board was blamed for the increased cost, a number of B. C. shops working on a fixed-price basis on the wages prevailing at the time, the increased wages compelling all the shops to adopt the same higher wage, all of which added very greatly to the cost of equipment. They wanted the Board to pay the ten per cent.

"There can't be any objection to the names being given," said the chairman. "I think," he added, "we must have the names of those firms."

Local Firms. After some little hesitation and consultation with Capt. Troup, witness said he saw no harm in doing so, and mentioned the names of Yarrows, Hutchinson Bros., Victoria Machinery Depot and J. Ramsay.

"Are there other firms who have fixed contracts who would be affected in the same way?" inquired the chairman, witness then adding the name of Lemon-Gunnason, after which the chairman said it might be difficult for witness to give the names offhand, and, therefore, he had better make out a list at his office and bring it in, which witness agreed to do.

No Bonus. Dealing with the matter of finances as between the Imperial Munitions Board and the Dominion the chairman inquired whether the two steel shipyards in the province, Wallace's and Coughlan's, protested, and witness understood to say they did not. Witness stated that the men were working the forty-eight-hour day in Seattle, and in his experience, the men here were very glad to work. In reply to James Dakers, who asked what bonus was paid to contractors previous to Mr. Butchart and Capt. Troup taking over the arrangements, witness said there

was no bonus paid, and no bonus would be paid.

Mr. Dakers inquired as to whether there was one firm which had claimed to be entitled to \$50,000, and witness was understood to say that the Western Canada could have made that sum through the bonus clause. At the request of the chairman witness is to supply a list of the names of all the firms with which the Board had fixed-profit contracts, and also to furnish a copy of tender forms.

Right to Know. Commissioner Kelly asked why it was preferable that bills should be built on fixed-profit contracts, witness answering that this was an arrangement between the Imperial and the Dominion Governments. Commissioner Kelly added that, despite the fact that the money paid for contracts was originally Imperial, and then Dominion, many people in B. C. had a direct right to know the exact cost, and exactly where the money was going. It was arranged that Mr. Butchart should also supply this information under the various headings.

In answer to Mr. Dakers witness said there was a conference held at his office, which included representatives from Wallace's, Coughlan's, Victoria Machinery Depot, the North Shore Ironworks and J. Ramsay. Replying to Duncan McCallum, witness denied there were any instructions that men who had left the C. P. R. should be re-employed here. As an answer to Mr. Dakers he admitted that he made a statement to the effect that shipbuilding had advanced so far as the present time that fifty per cent. of the men might be allowed to go.

Mr. Butchart Concludes. Mr. Butchart then formally concluded his evidence, and was informed by the chairman that it was hoped he and Capt. Troup would be able to attend as much as possible, it being, said the chairman, "a matter that affects you vitally." It was the understanding, added the chairman, that the matter of the cost of living might be brought up, and if the subject was to be controverted either Mr. Butchart or Capt. Troup must be present.

Mr. Butchart then made the remarks given at the commencement hereof, concerning the ten per cent. question. In connection with his statement that he did not see why any views of himself or Capt. Troup should be binding on the Board at Ottawa witness agreed with Mr. McCallum that he made arrangements with the approval of the Board at the Capital, and he thought that if "we make any definite arrangement with you I think it is very probable it would be carried out."

MRS. JEAN MULDER ARRIVES IN CITY

Dominion Speaker Will Address Meeting To-morrow; Sidney Gathering To-night

Mrs. Jean Mulder, who has been retained by the Food Control Board to lecture and demonstrate throughout the country on war food economy, arrived in the city this morning. Mrs. Mulder will be the chief speaker at a meeting of the Increased Production Committee to-morrow at the High School, the fourth of the series to educate the public to take personal share in greater production.

She will be introduced by J. W. Gibbons, and Alderman Sargent will explain the progress made with regard to the assistance afforded by the city to cultivators. A musical programme will be carried through under the direction of H. J. Pollard, School Musical Supervisor, patriotic songs being rendered. Mrs. Mulder was for a considerable time head of the Domestic Science Department at Macdonald College, Guelph, and is widely known as an expert throughout the Dominion on questions of food conservation and preparation.

Seeds on Sale. The Increased Production Committee has now on sale seed peas, beans and corn, but the potatoes are not yet available. Fertilizer may be secured to-morrow.

The original arrangements having dropped through with regard to the use of the land being ploughed at Beacon Hill Park, returned soldiers will take over the land for cultivation, Alderman Sargent announced. Professor Stevenson spoke on seeds and other cultivation matters to the Victoria West Brotherhood yesterday afternoon, and great interest was taken in the proceedings.

This evening the Professor will be the chief speaker at a public meeting at Berquist Hall, Sidney, under the auspices of the Sidney Board of Trade, to increase production in Sidney and North Saanich. President George Clark of the Farmers' Union; Messrs. Martindale and F. J. Roche will also discuss various phases of the situation.

OLD-TIMER'S DEATH

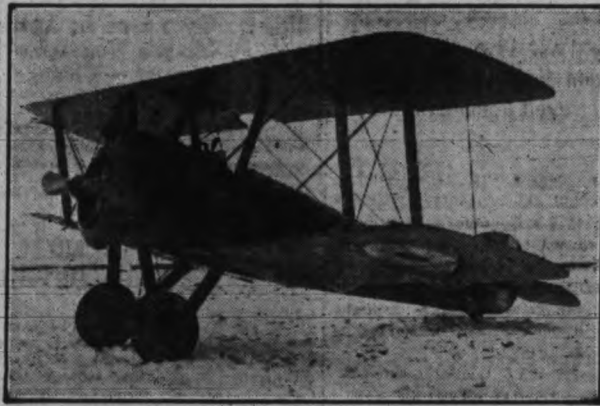
John L. T. Garland, Resident of City for Past Thirty-Five Years, Passed Away Yesterday.

An old-time resident of the city in the person of John Lem Todd Garland passed to his long rest yesterday morning at the age of sixty-nine years. He was a native of Philadelphia, U.S.A., and came to Victoria thirty-five years ago, lately making his home at 813 Russell Street. For many years he was an employee of the Victoria Truck and Dray Co., but recently had spent five years in the service of the city as a teamster. He is survived by his widow.

The funeral will take place from the B. C. Funeral Chapel at 3 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon. Interment at Ross Bay Cemetery.

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The Fighting "Scout"



The above is a photograph of a "Scout" aeroplane, received by the Canadian Aviation Fund, Toronto, from the British Air Board. It clearly shows the great power and swallowlike appearance of this class of aeroplane, and that it is a "Fighter" is very apparent from the two machine-guns poking their noses out in front. This class of machine is only for one man, is the fastest of any and does the most fighting. The plane in the above picture can probably travel from 125 to 150 miles an hour.

"THE DESTROYERS" AT COLUMBIA THEATRE

Life in Wilds Pictured in Feature Film of the North.

A glimpse of the story which is told in "The Destroyers," the feature commencing to-day at the Columbia Theatre, is given in the conversation between two principal characters.

"My leg had been badly crushed by the bear trap and I was unable to move about. The kind old hermit nursed me back to health and when I left him, I loved him like a brother, but he would tell nothing of his past. All I know about him is, that his name is Peter God."

Philip Curtis, of the Northwest Mounted Police, was telling the story of his adventure to Josephine McCloud, a young woman whom he had met near his cabin. Although only mildly interested at first, the name of Peter God visibly moved her and she began to be taken to him. Curtis informs her that the trail is covered and they cannot follow it until the thaw comes. He tells her of his love for her, but she implores him not to speak of it again. For her sake, he takes up the trail and agrees to carry a letter to Peter. Through the deep snows, he travels by dog team, lone-some as man has ever been, and at times, tempted to return and tell her that Peter God is dead, but he pushes forward despite all hardships until he reaches the cabin. Outside the red flag is hanging, a warning to all that the "red death" lurks within.

FATHER AND SON MET IN LONDON, PRIVATE J. AND WM. ROBINSON



The above photograph shows Private J. Robinson (seated), of Victoria, and his son, Private William Robinson, who met in London recently after a separation of over two years, during which they had been serving in France.

The father, Private Robinson, left Victoria with the 67th Western Scouts. He was wounded in October, 1916, after having seen considerable service. Following some months in hospital, he was declared unfit for further fighting and for the past twelve months has been attached to the Army Medical Corps, and was recently stationed at Epsom Convalescent Hospital. His son, William, enlisted in the first Mechanical Transport Corps which left this city about Christmas, 1916, and has been at the front for nearly two years. He recently obtained his first leave since going overseas, and went to London, where he and his father had their first reunion since leaving their home in this city.

Homeward Bound.—The exodus to the prairies from California, via this city, has reached its maximum, and every boat to the Mainland and the North is carrying a capacity passenger list. The seeding on the prairies, with the preliminary tillage operations, will require all the energies of the winter travellers and they are now hastening home to get to work on the farms.

BECOME JOINT OWNERS

Mrs. Mitchell, Shelbourne Street, and Mrs. McMillan, 2756 Belmont Avenue, who each put in the nearest correct estimate on Friday afternoon in connection with The Times bungalow contest, have entered into partnership, and have decided that henceforth they will be joint owners of the comfortable little house on Cedar Hill Road. This decision was arrived at this afternoon.

ALL MUNICIPALITIES WOULD WELCOME BILL

Legislation Would Help Out in Many Cases of Boom Purchases

Legislative Press Gallery, March 18.

It is understood that during the next few days a Bill will be introduced to the Legislature intended as a measure of relief to Municipalities in respect of taxes and to provide for proportional allotment in respect of townships. If the proposal materializes the scope of the Act will be designed to permit operation in the case of those municipalities wherein are held certain lands under agreement of sale from the Government.

It is realized by the Minister of Lands that it is impossible for the Government to demand payment in full under many of the agreements of sale as the property would not bring the money on the market while conditions would not permit of money be-

Black as Dirt About the Eyes

Liver Was All Upset and There Was Pain Under the Shoulder-Blade—Two Interesting Letters

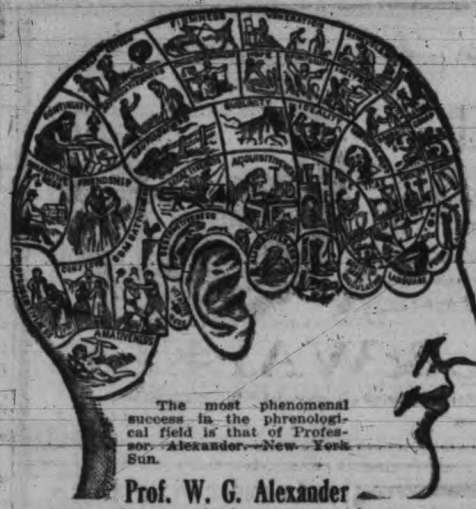
So many people suffer from derangements of the liver that we feel sure these two reports, just recently received, will prove interesting reading and valuable information to many readers of this paper.

Mrs. F. L. Harris, Keatley P. O., Sask. writes: "I was suffering from liver trouble—a heavy pain under one shoulder blade all the time, and eyes nearly as black as dirt around the eyes, so I concluded to try some of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. I did so, and before I had taken one 25c. box the pain had left me and I commenced to gain in flesh, and by the time I had taken two boxes I was completely cured and felt like a new person. My trouble was caused by heavy work out-of-doors, and, of course, heavy eating and constipation. I would advise anyone suffering from kidney or liver trouble to give Dr. Chase's Pills a trial."

Mrs. Charles Terry, Tweed, Ont., writes: "Before I was married I was troubled with enlargement of the liver. My liver became so enlarged that you could detect the swellings on either side, and it was only with difficulty that I could get my clothes on. A friend advised me to get Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills and take them. I commenced this treatment, and used nine boxes, which cured me at that time. Then, about two or three years afterward I was troubled again with the swelling, but only on my right side. I secured some more Kidney-Liver Pills, and took them, which finally cured me. I have not been troubled in this way since. I can cheerfully recommend Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills to anyone having kidney or liver trouble."

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Prof. W. G. Alexander

Who is everywhere acknowledged to be not only the ablest Phrenologist in America, but one of the most popular speakers on the platform to-day. IN HIS INIMITABLE LECTURES ON HUMAN NATURE, BAPTIST CHURCH, CORNER YATES AND QUADRA STREETS, EVERY NIGHT, BEGINNING TUESDAY, MARCH 19. Admission First Night Free. Collection taken at the close. Private consultation daily from 10 a. m. at the Professor's parlors, Room 148, Dominion Hotel. Don't Miss His Greatest Lecture on Love, Courtship, Marriage and Jealousy.

ing raised. In view of the necessity of relief to such municipalities it will be suggested that a form of proportionate allotment should be provided to take care of all holders of such agreements.

Pay or Permit Sale. The Minister of Lands is of the opinion that legislation of this character—although the suggestion is tentative at the moment—would clear up a considerable amount of the existing difficulty. It should also be noted that in the case of lands which might be resumed by the Crown the question would be determined as to whether the Province should pay to the Municipalities the taxes levied in respect of those lands, which at the present time form part of the security of the Debenture holders, or whether in lieu of payments of taxes the Province shall permit the lands to be sold for taxes, taking for itself the amount over and above, if any, the amount realized by the sale.

The Rebound. It will be understood that the proposed measure applies to the lands purchased for the most part during boom times for which the Government got about one-quarter of the sale price down and nothing afterwards. In the interim the various Municipalities carried out their public works and assessed the many parcels of land held under agreement of sale. It now transpires, of course, that the amounts still owing on the lands is a great deal more than the land is worth with the result that the Government has failed to get its sale price and the Municipalities have merely married a legacy of financial embarrassment, since they have been compelled to levy other properties to meet interest and sinking fund to cover liquidation of debentures sold.

ORNITHOLOGIST WINS COVETED DECORATION

Charles Du Bois Green Gets Croix de Guerre for Work in France

Charles Du Bois Green, who left here about two years ago and became attached to the Ambulance Corps in France, has been recommended for the Croix de Guerre with silver star. Mr. Green was a surveyor by profession, his home being in the Okanagan, but he spent much of his time here and is well-known in Victoria. To a wide circle of naturalists he is familiar as a student, collector, and authority on bird life. He has a son at the front, his wife and daughters now residing in Vancouver.

Passport Forms supplied and correctly completed by W. H. Price, Notary, 1208 Government Street.

Land Settlement for Returned Soldiers.—Members of the Women's Canadian Club, who are interested in the Land Settlement schemes for Returned Soldiers, are invited to attend to-morrow afternoon at 2.45 o'clock at the Y. W. C. A.

"The war is costing £5,000 a minute, and not a penny too much when we consider the enormous losses at stake."—Father Bernard Vaughan.

Convex-Oval Frames



Victoria Art Emporium 561 Niagara Street. Phone 2895 See ad. in For Sale Miscellaneous column.

Two thousand people were unable to gain admittance to Professor Alexander's twelfth lecture last night.—Vancouver World.

Professor Alexander's lectures are witty and amusing, of an ennobling character, and his presence would grace a pulpit.—Ottawa Journal.

Professor Alexander is a decided gentleman, a fluent and eloquent speaker, and master of the science of Phrenology.—Oregonian, Portland.

He is undoubtedly the finest in his profession that Minneapolis has ever heard.—Minneapolis Journal.

Easter Millinery Buyers

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Courtney and Douglas Streets Wilmot Goodwin Baritone and FLORENCE AUSTIN, Violinist. LEE CRONAN, Pianist. First Cycle, March 20, 1918. Second Cycle, March 21, 1918. 8.15 p. m. Benefit of King's Daughters, of Victoria, B. C.

PUBLIC MEETING

will be held under auspices of Men's and Women's Liberal Associations in the K. of P. Hall, North Park Street. Thursday, March 21. HON. JOHN OLIVER, PREMIER. MRS. RALPH SMITH, and City Members Will Speak. Chair will be taken at 8 p. m.

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On view Monday, 2 till 5, and morning of sale.

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Duly instructed by Edward Brown, Esq., will sell by Public Auction, on

Wednesday, March 20

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Including Bar Fixtures, Cash Register, Show Cases, Elec. Water Heater and Mixer, Deer and Moose Heads, Decanters, Tumblers, Initial Linoleum, Soft Drinks, Pictures, very fine Entertainment Range, Oak Chairs, Refrigerator, Crockery, Glassware, Gerhard Heintzman Piano, Pool Tables, Card Tables, Armchairs, Elec. Shades, Mirrors, Heaters, Tungsten Lights, Oak Sideboard, Oak Ex. Table, Oak Chairs, Marble Clock, Rugs, Overmantel, Morris Chairs, Uph. Chairs, Uph. Settees, Hall Tree, Pillows, Fenders, Carpets, Brass Beds, Springs and Mattresses, Bureaus and Washstands, Hoses, 40 Chickens and other goods too numerous to mention.

For particulars apply to the Auctioneer. On view Tuesday.

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Were These Yours?

Another Laundry Charge.—In connection with the investigation of Chinese laundries, a charge against Ming Lee, of allowing clothes belonging to customers to be placed on his bed for subsequent hearing. The man has an office behind the laundry with bed room attached and it will be alleged that clean clothes prior to being returned to customers are placed on his bed for marking.

FOR THE REAL WHITE WAY PHONE 172

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SAVINGS EFFECTED IN PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.

Annual Report Covers Dyking, Factories and Machinery for 1916-1917

Legislative Press Gallery,

March 18.

At Friday afternoon's session of the Legislature the Hon. J. H. King, Minister of Public Works, tabled the report of his Department covering the fiscal year 1916-1917. The document also includes the report of the Inspector of Dykes, the Factory Inspector and that of the Chief Inspector of Machinery.

Savings Effectuated.

One of the most noticeable features of the report is that many district votes show unexpended balances amounting to substantial proportions. The economies effected are due to the vigorous action taken by the Minister as soon as the present Government took over the reins of office in the last days of 1916. As the thin end of the wedge towards considerable savings and the elimination of unnecessary expenditure of public funds at that time, the Minister dispensed with the services of all road superintendents and other superfluous "impediments," an unnecessary burden for the payroll during the winter months.

To Aid Mining.

Savings effected under the various heads are shown in the report as follows: Works and buildings, \$189,816.06; roads, streets, bridges and wharves, \$221,578.01; subsidies, steamboats, ferries and bridges, \$24,471.72; miscellaneous, \$2,728.77. In connection with co-related expenditure the report notes that the Act giving special aid to the mining industry is responsible for an outlay by the Public Works Department amounting to \$48,764.98. The amount in question went into the construction of roads and trails in the districts of Fernie, Greenwood, Kamloops, Kaslo, Revelstoke, Richmond, Similkameen, Skeena, Sticam, Yale and Ymir.

Dyke Inspectors Report.

The report of the Inspector of Dykes deals with the management and maintenance of the Chilliwack, Matsqui, Maple Ridge, Coquitlam and Pitt Meadows Dyking Districts for the year 1917. According to records extending over a period of eighteen years the freshest in the Fraser River during 1917 was slightly above the average. The river continued to rise until it reached 15.99 on the gauge on June 12, when it scored the highest point during the season.

Factories.

The Inspector of Factories reports 186 accidents of which twenty were fatal. The report states that the major number of the accidents were caused by employees cleaning and adjusting machinery while in motion. Only one case of child labor is reported—a boy under fourteen years of age employed in a machine shop. When the matter was brought to the employers' notice the boy was sent to school.

Machinery Inspection.

The year 1916 and three months of 1917 is covered by the report of the Chief Inspector of Machinery, and is concerned with the work of the Inspectors of Steam Boilers. Engineers' examinations show the number of applications for re-examination, 13; and the number of examinations approved, 147; results of examinations under various classes of second, third, fourth, temporary and special, show the number examined at 191, and those who passed the examination, at 139.

IMMIGRATION CANNOT BEGIN FOR TWO YEARS

Assistant Superintendent of Immigration Speaks of After-War Movement

W. Blake Robertson, Assistant Superintendent of Immigration, estimates that it will take from eighteen months to two years to return the shipping on the Atlantic to the normal condition so that ordinary commercial traffic may be resumed after the proclamation of peace.

Therefore there will be no immigration to Canada probably for two years after the end of the war. Mr. Robertson, who has been visiting Victoria on an inspection tour, states to The Times that the period he mentions is based on the best available opinion of transportation men backed by official investigation so far as any examination of conditions can be made now. He points out that there will not only be the repatriation of the Canadian and American armies, but armies will have to be moved from other fields of the theatre of war, which will require shipping for many months after demobilization sets in.

Mr. Robertson was asked whether the comparative suspension of immigration activities by the Government, owing to the exceptional conditions, is likely to affect the flow of immigrants into Canada. He replies in the negative, declaring that the threads of publicity can be picked up when the time is ripe. Men whose opinion is worthy of credence, he states, differ on the extent of the immigration of ex-soldiers, though they all agree that the sociological effect of war will result in general discontent with conditions in Britain and an inclination to wander. He says there is every reason why a large percentage will come to Canada to settle in the unoccupied lands.

Mr. Robertson, who has met the im-

NERVOUS PROSTRATION

May be Overcome by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—This Letter Proves It.

West Philadelphia, Pa.—"During the thirty years I have been married, I have been in bad health and had several attacks of nervous prostration until it seemed as if the organs in my whole body were worn out. I was finally persuaded to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it made a well woman of me. I can now do all my housework and advise all ailing women to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I will guarantee they will derive great benefit from it."—Mrs. FRANK FITZGERALD, 25 N. 41st Street, West Philadelphia, Pa.

There are thousands of women everywhere in Mrs. Fitzgerald's condition, suffering from nervousness, backache, headache, and other symptoms of a functional derangement. It was a grateful spirit for health restored which led her to write this letter so that other women may benefit from her experience and find health as she has done.

For suggestions in regard to your condition write Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass. The result of this 40 years experience is at your service.

PROPOSAL TO ASSIST THE NORTHERN FARMER

Party of Legislators Visit Colony Farm in Dairyman's Interest

Under the guidance of David Whiteside, member for New Westminster, a party of legislators left the city on Saturday afternoon's boat for the purpose of investigating the possibilities of using the Colony Farm at Esquimalt—the property of the Provincial Government—as a clearing station for the dairy calves of the Fraser Valley. The object in view is that of furnishing dairy cattle to the farmers of the northern sections of the province.

With dairy cattle in the north conspicuous by their absence in many otherwise thriving localities Alice Manson, the member for Omicoma, conceived the scheme that it would be possible to round up such of the Fraser Valley calves as the dairymen were willing to dispose of, send them to two or three distributing points in the north, where settlers might purchase them from the Government at a reasonable cost.

In the party besides Mr. Whiteside were Alice Manson member for Omicoma; J. W. Thompson, member for Grand Forks; John Yoxton, member for Cariboo; D. D. Munroe, of the Land Settlement Board; Professor McLean, of the University of British Columbia; Dr. McKay, manager of the Colony Farm Institute; and Superintendent Moore, of the farm.

The party was also accompanied by C. E. Jenney, general agent of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, which is much interested in the project by reason of the fact that the majority of the farmers to whom it is proposed to give Government aid in the manner suggested, are settled on lands along or adjacent to the line of the G. T. P. from Prince Rupert to the Alberta boundary.

The party returned to the city this morning, each member of which expressed himself as well pleased with the farm and impressed with the feasibility of the scheme.

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